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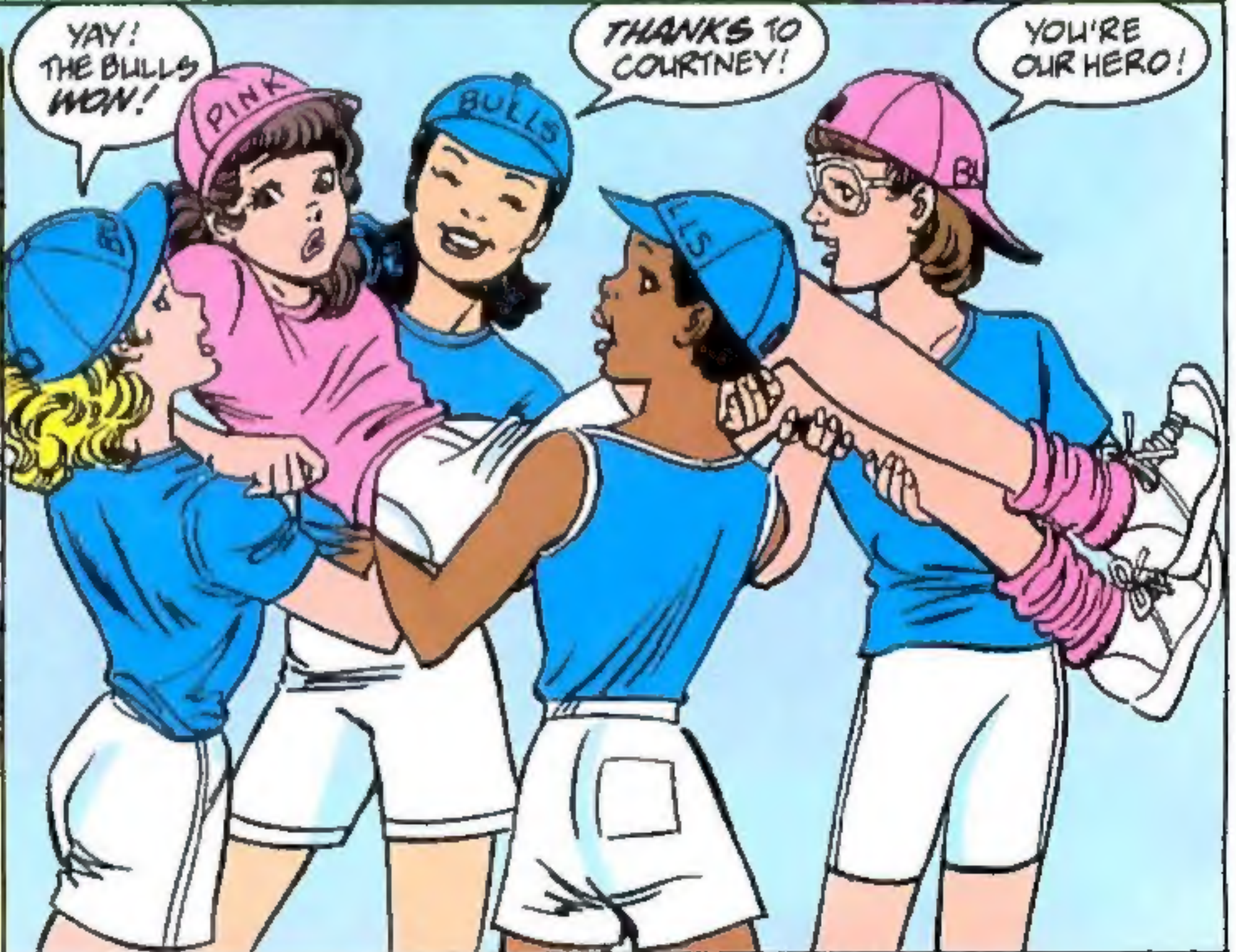
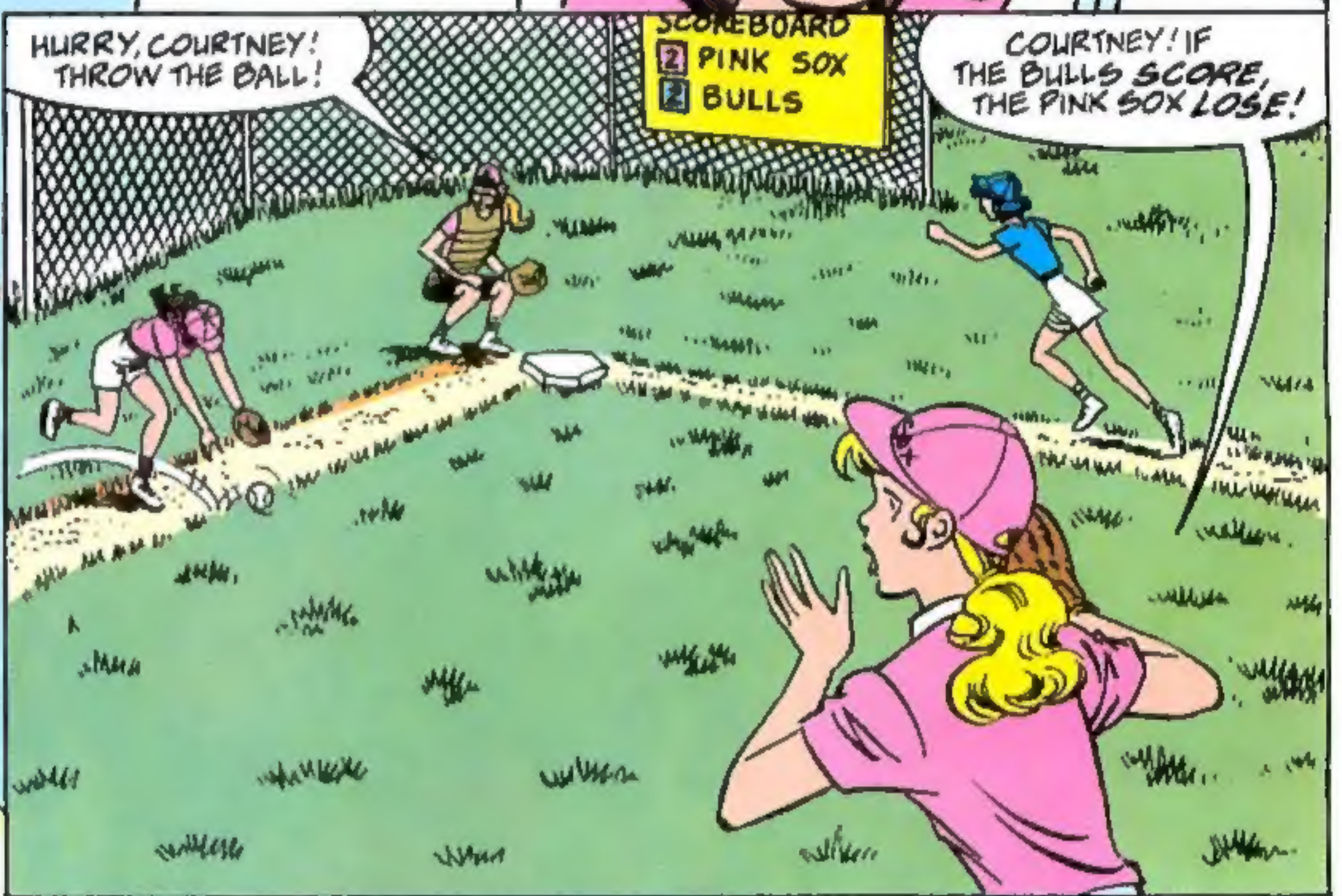
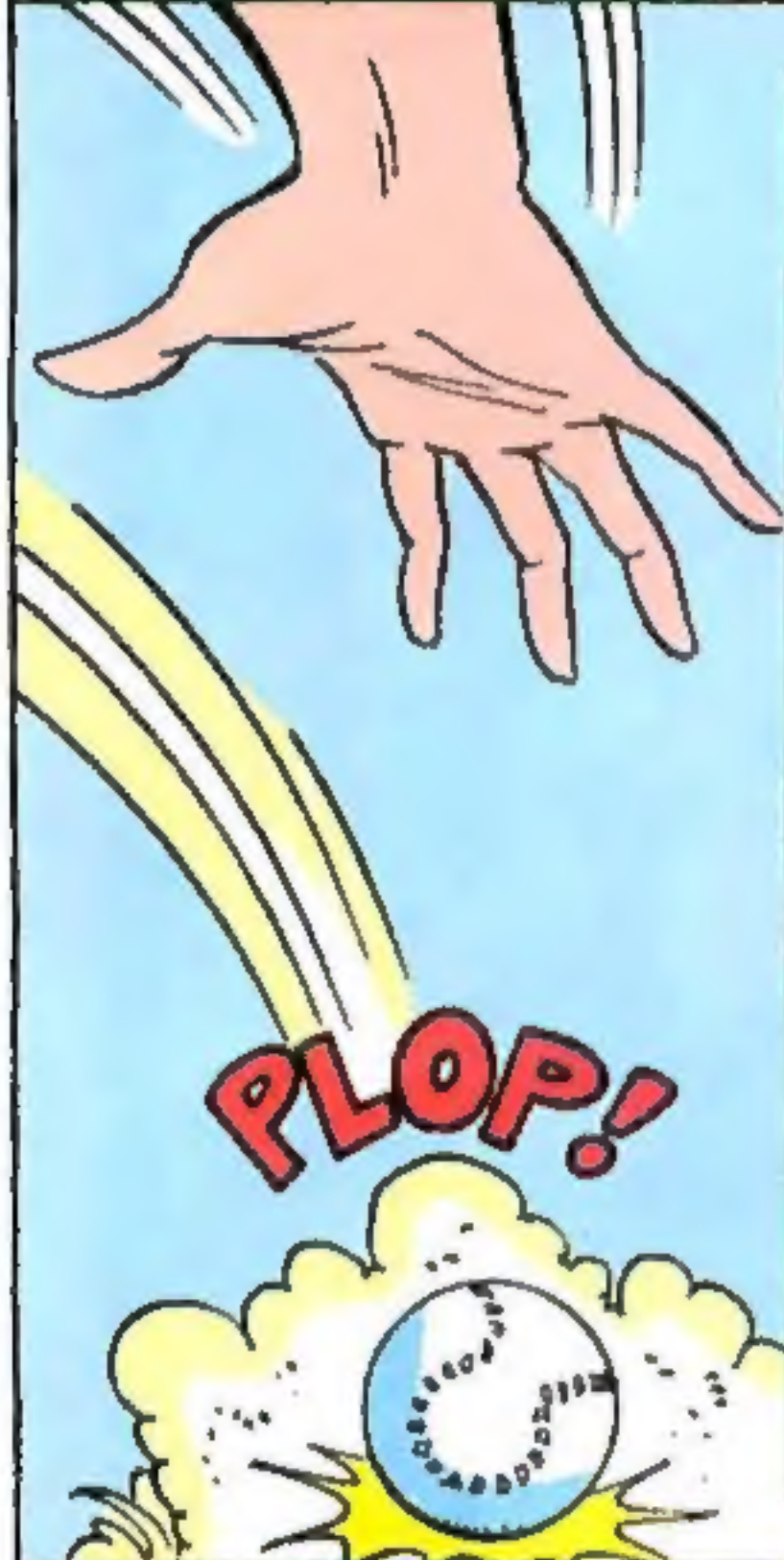
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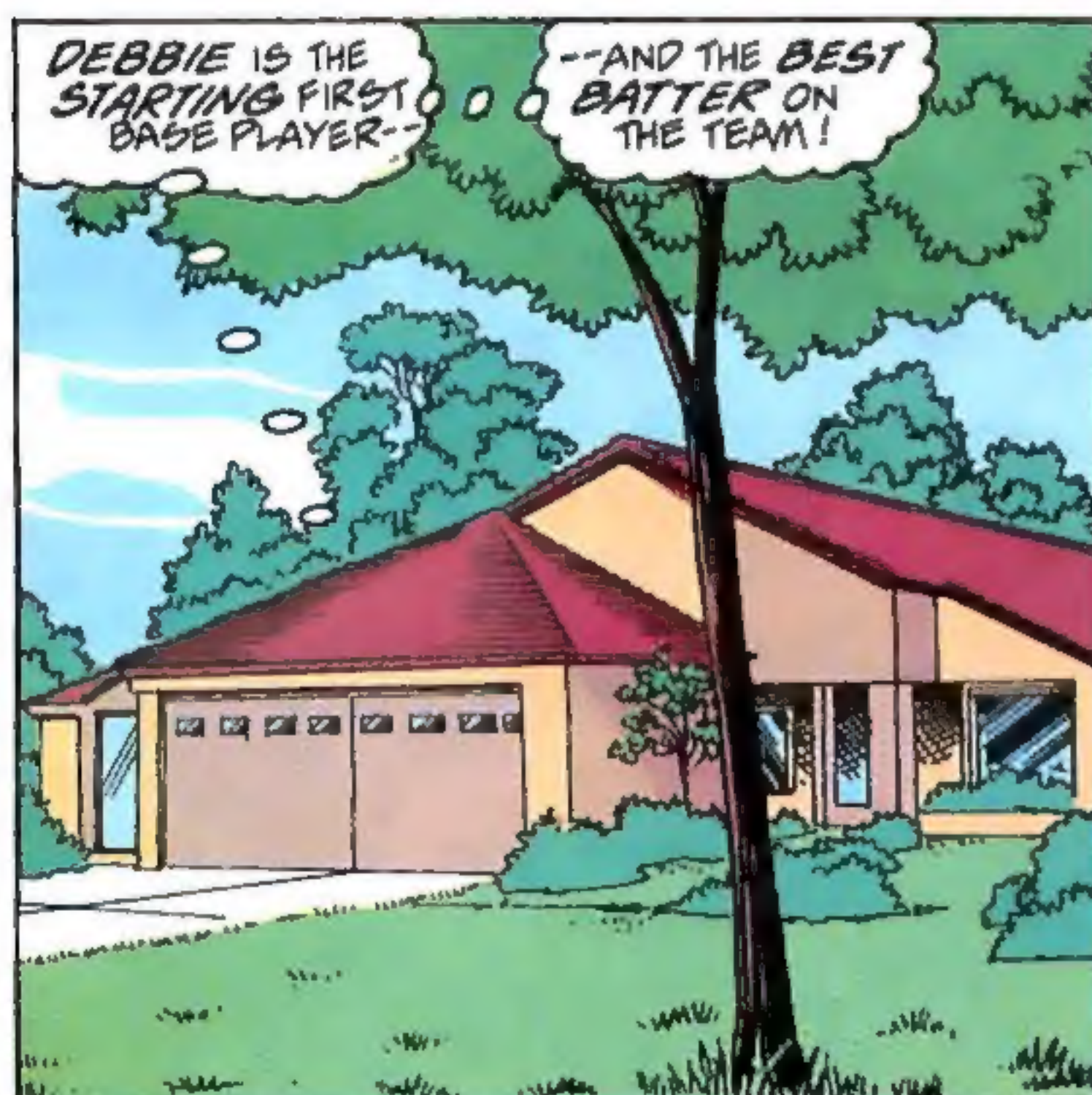
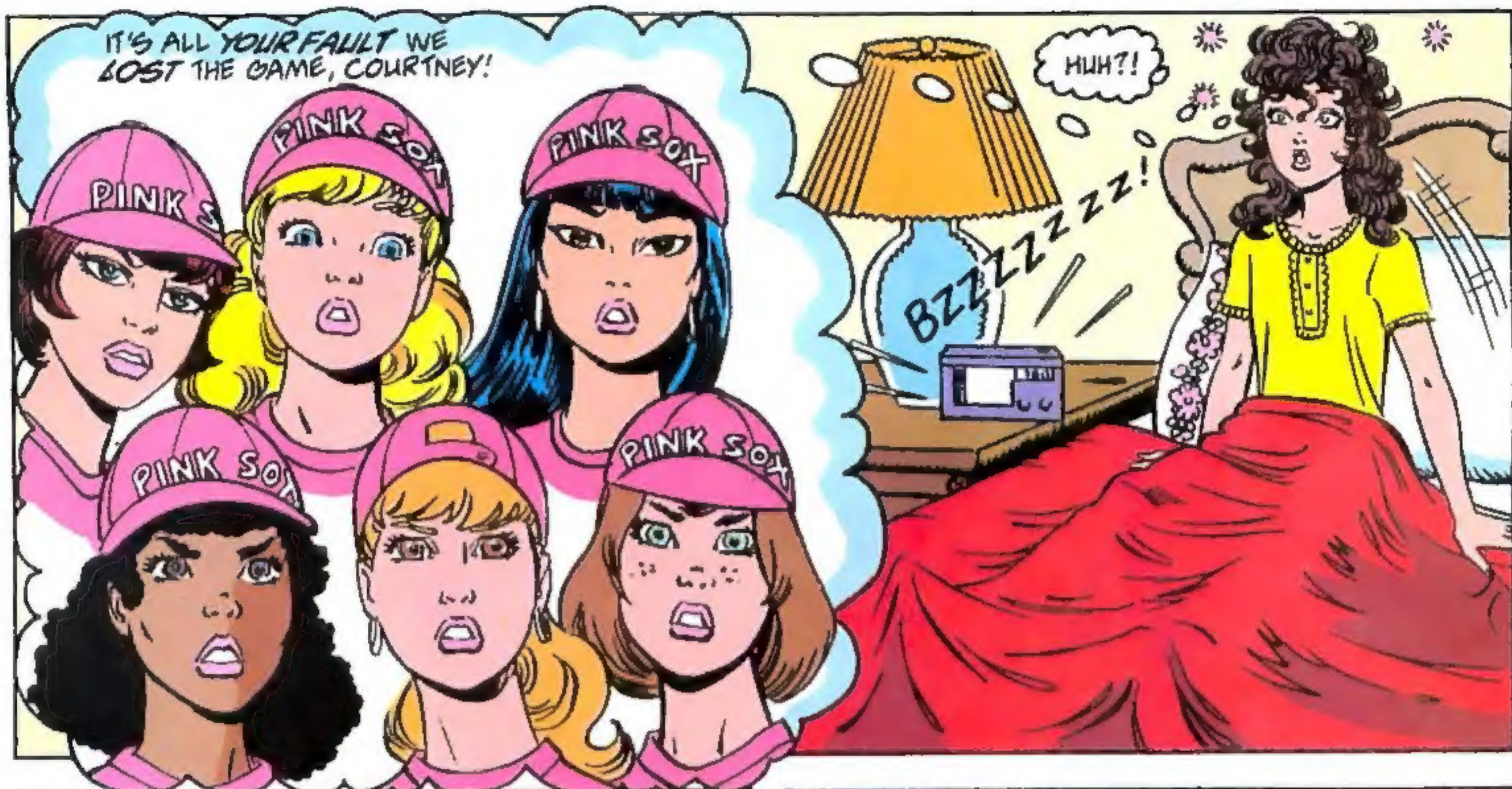
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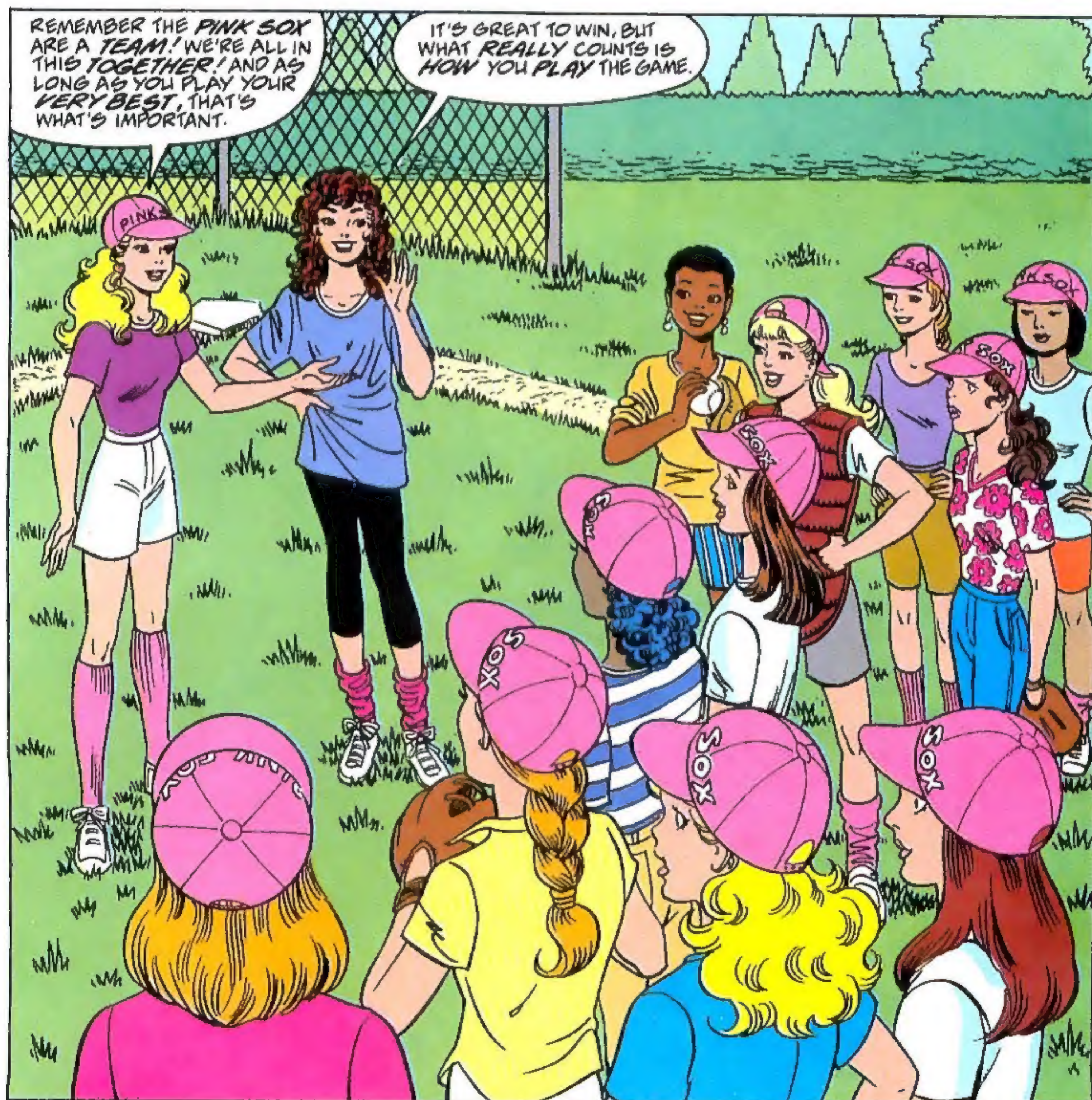


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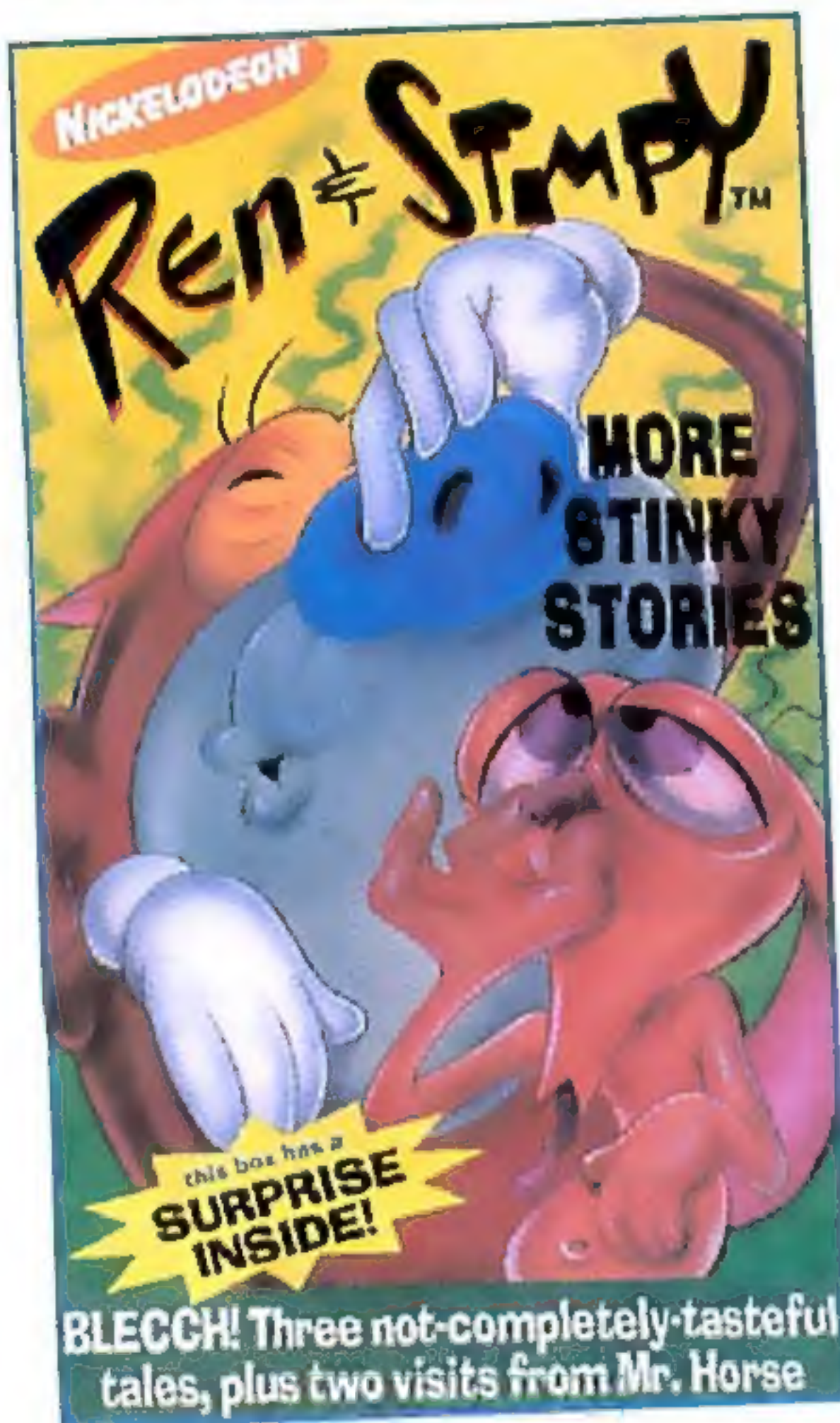








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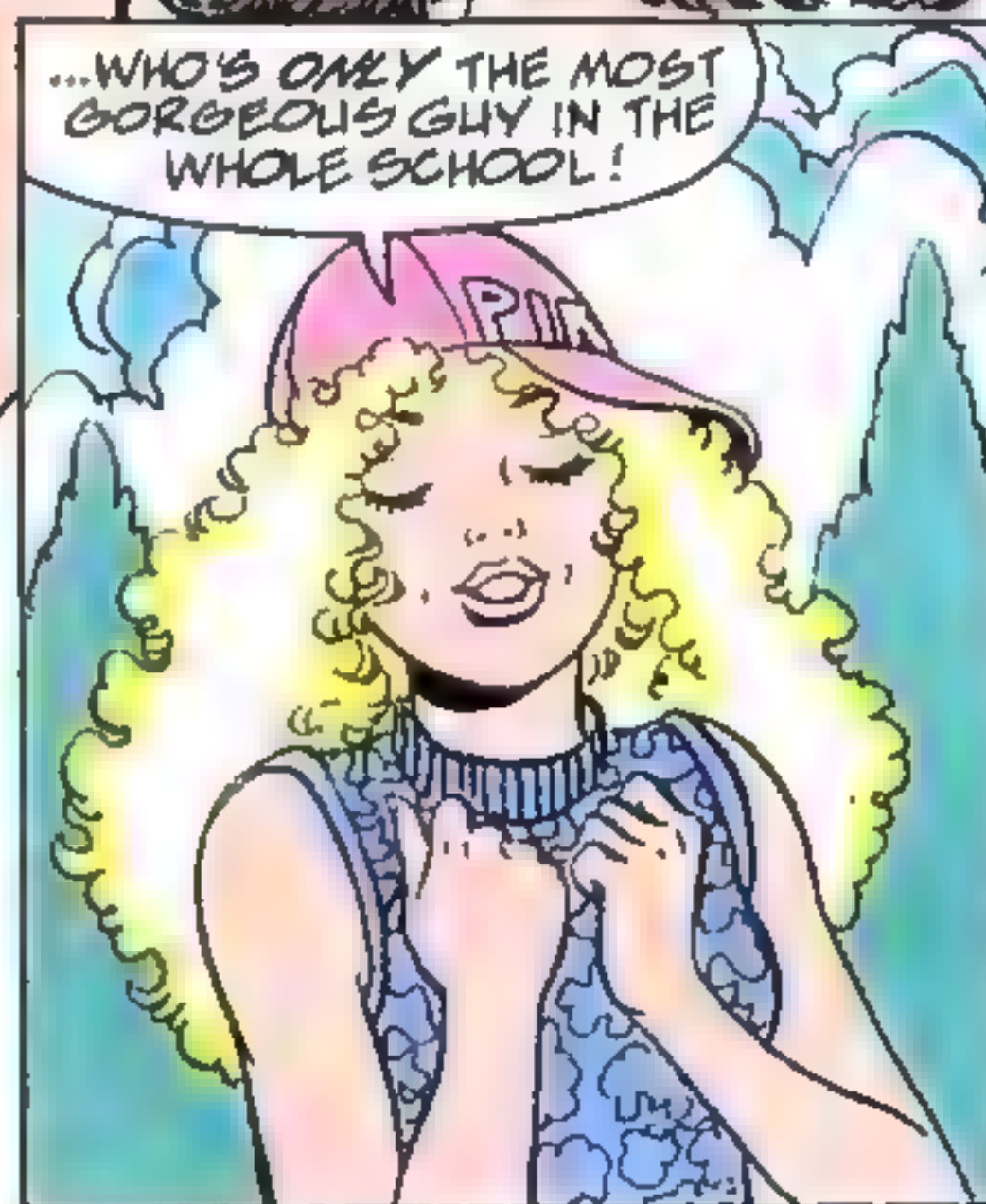
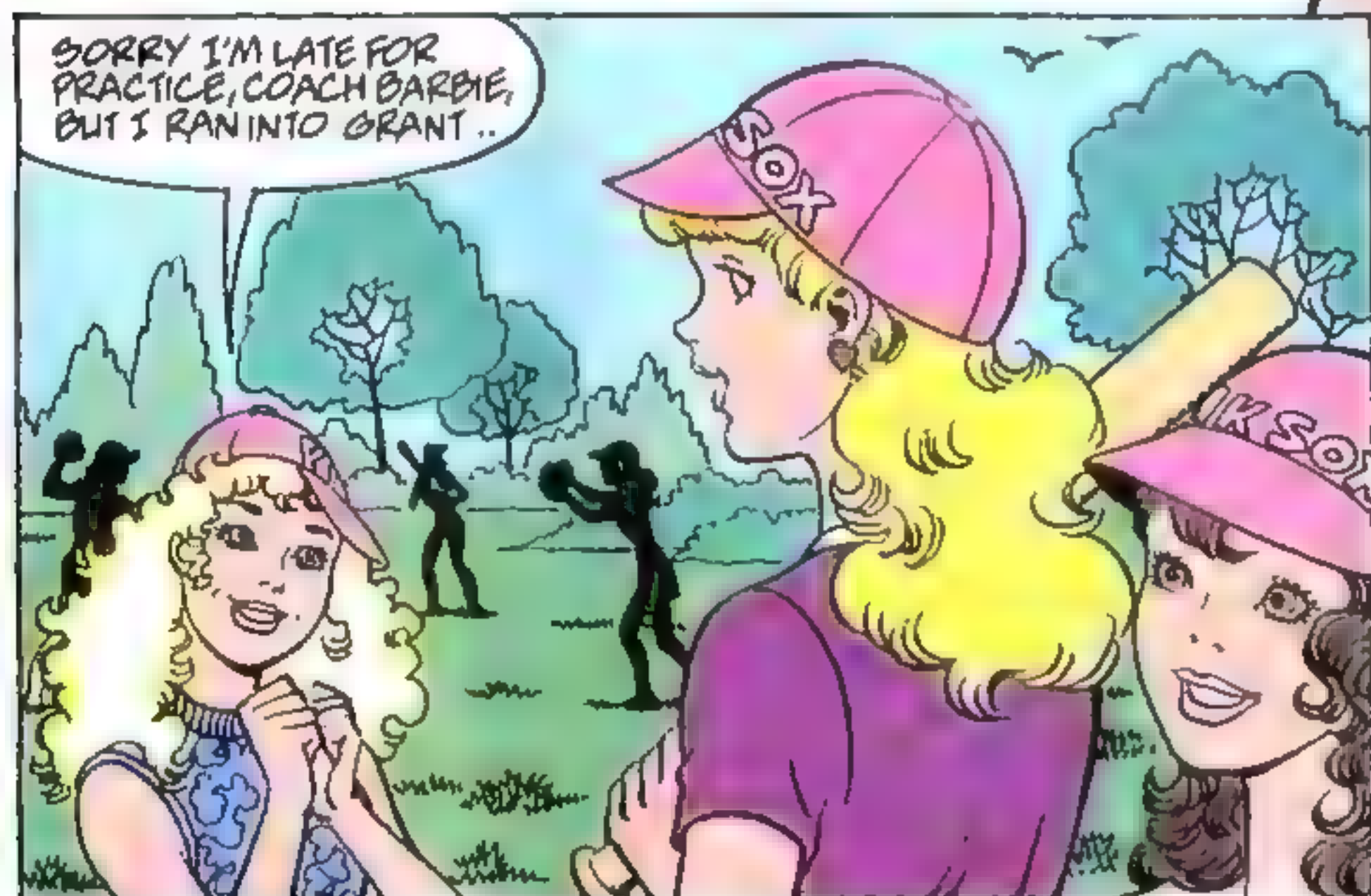
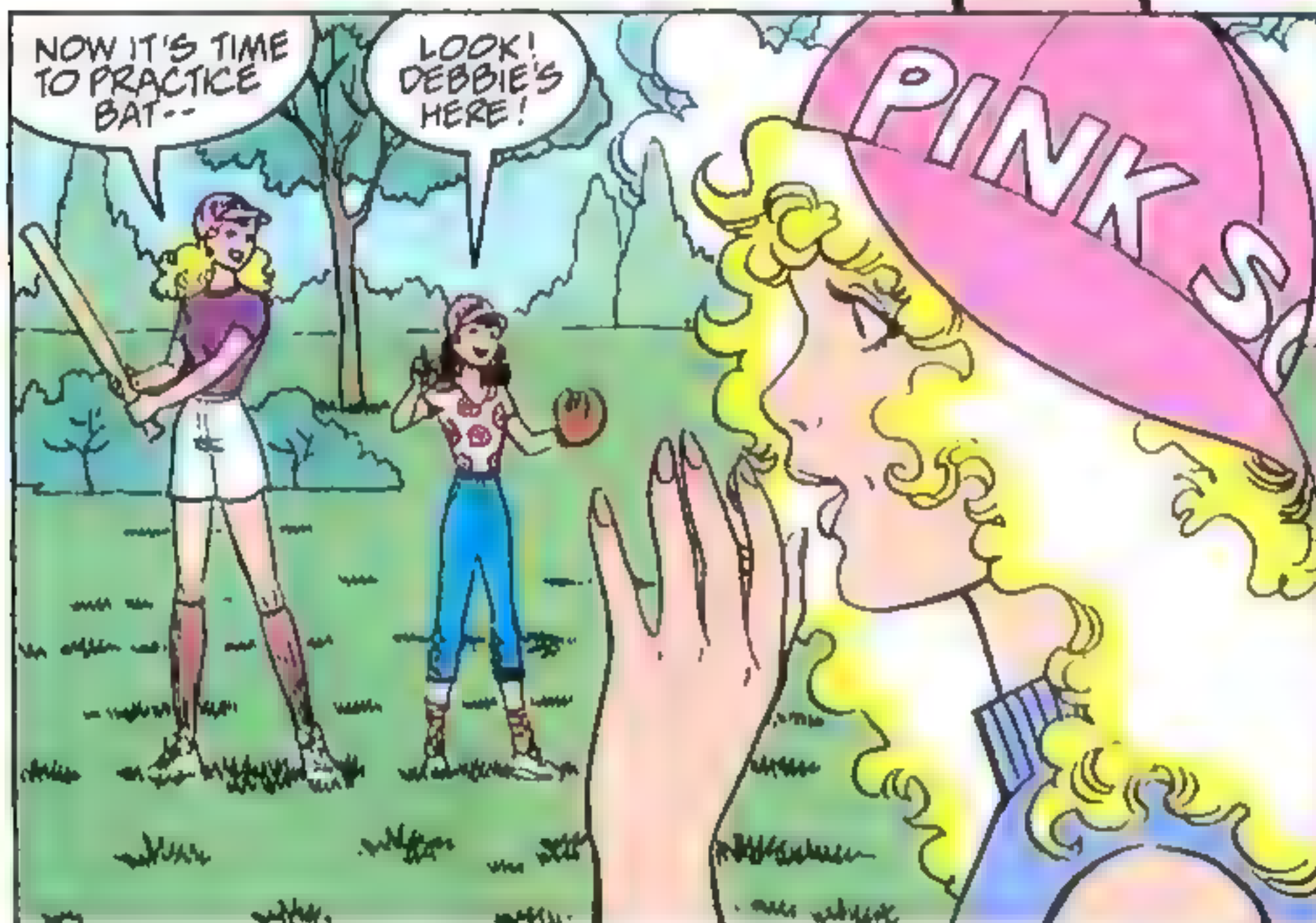
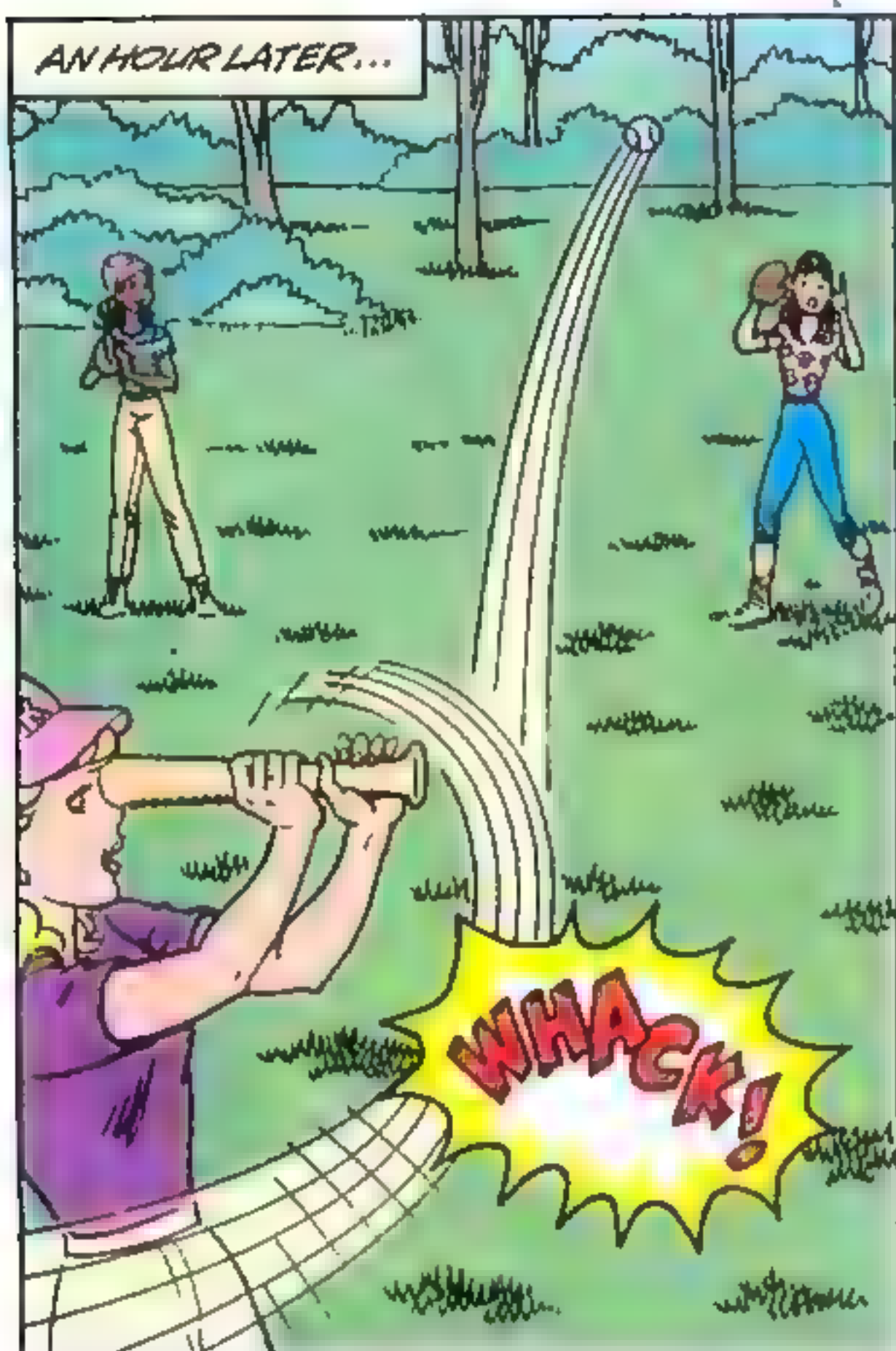
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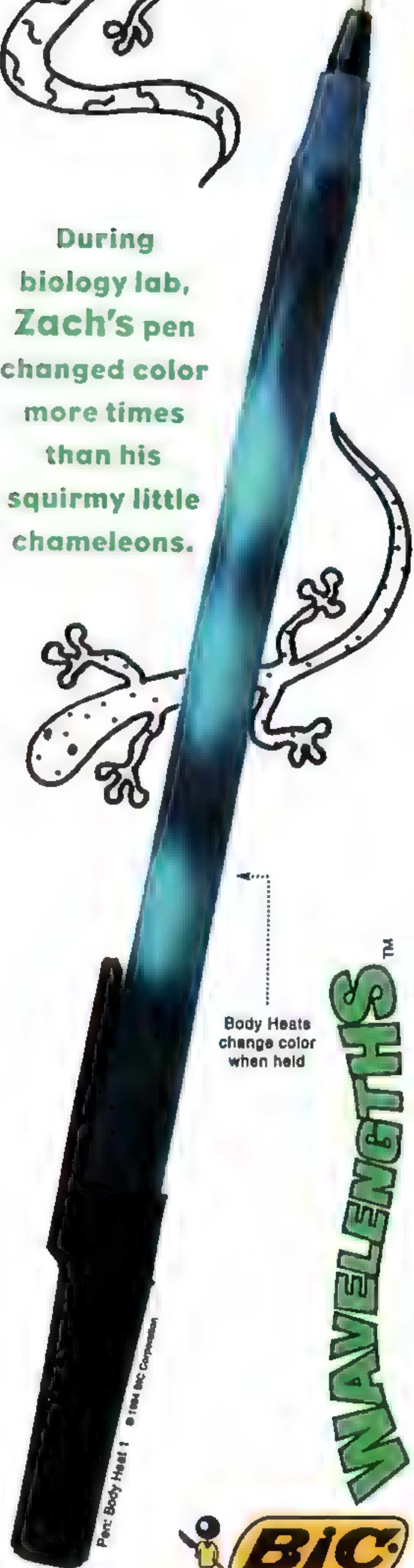
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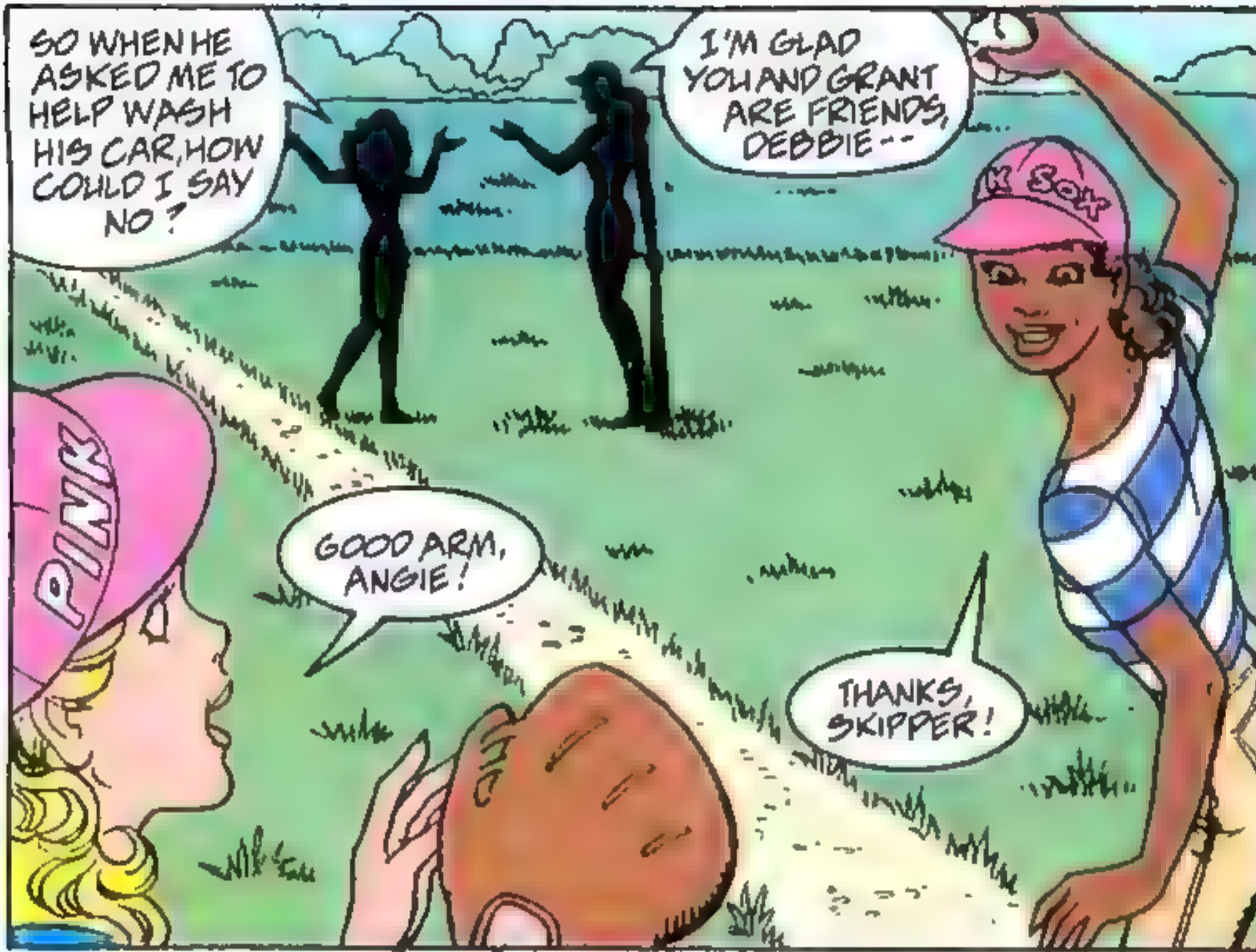
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SO WHEN HE ASKED ME TO HELP WASH HIS CAR, HOW COULD I SAY NO?

I'M GLAD YOU AND GRANT ARE FRIENDS, DEBBIE--

GOOD ARM, ANGIE!

THANKS, SKIPPER!

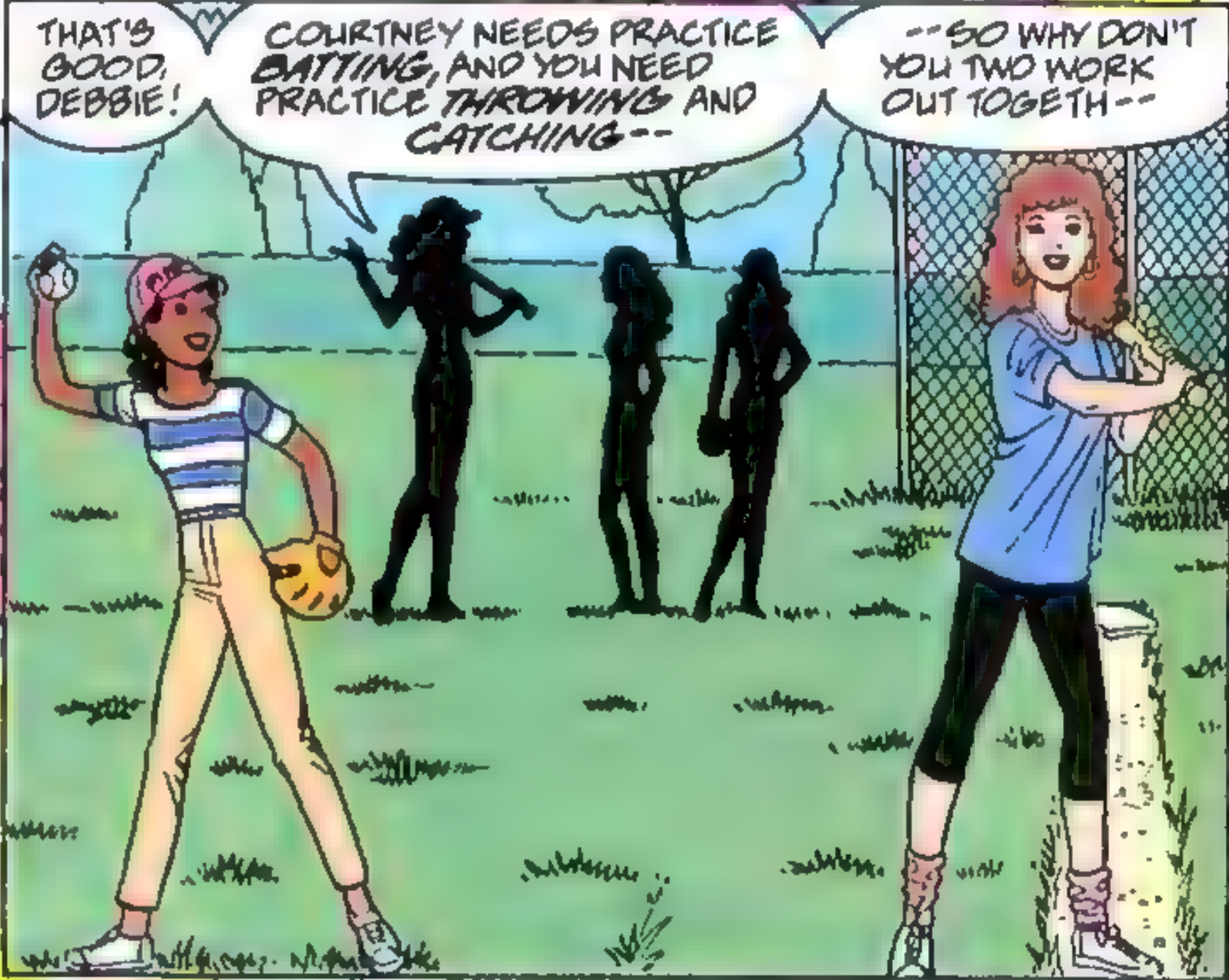


--BUT WASHING GRANT'S CAR IS NOT A GOOD REASON TO BE LATE FOR PRACTICE.



THE PINK SOX AREA TEAM AND IF EVERYONE SHOWED UP LATE, THEN WE'D NEVER HAVE A CHANCE AGAINST THE BULLS.

I'M SORRY, COACH BARBIE. I'LL TRY NOT TO BE LATE AGAIN.



THAT'S GOOD, DEBBIE!

COURTNEY NEEDS PRACTICE BATTING, AND YOU NEED PRACTICE THROWING AND CATCHING--

--SO WHY DON'T YOU TWO WORK OUT TOGETHER--



DEBBIE, HONEY! HURRY! WE HAVE TO GO! WE NEED TO PICK UP YOUR DRESS FOR THE JULY 4TH PARTY TOMORROW NIGHT!

HI, DADDY!

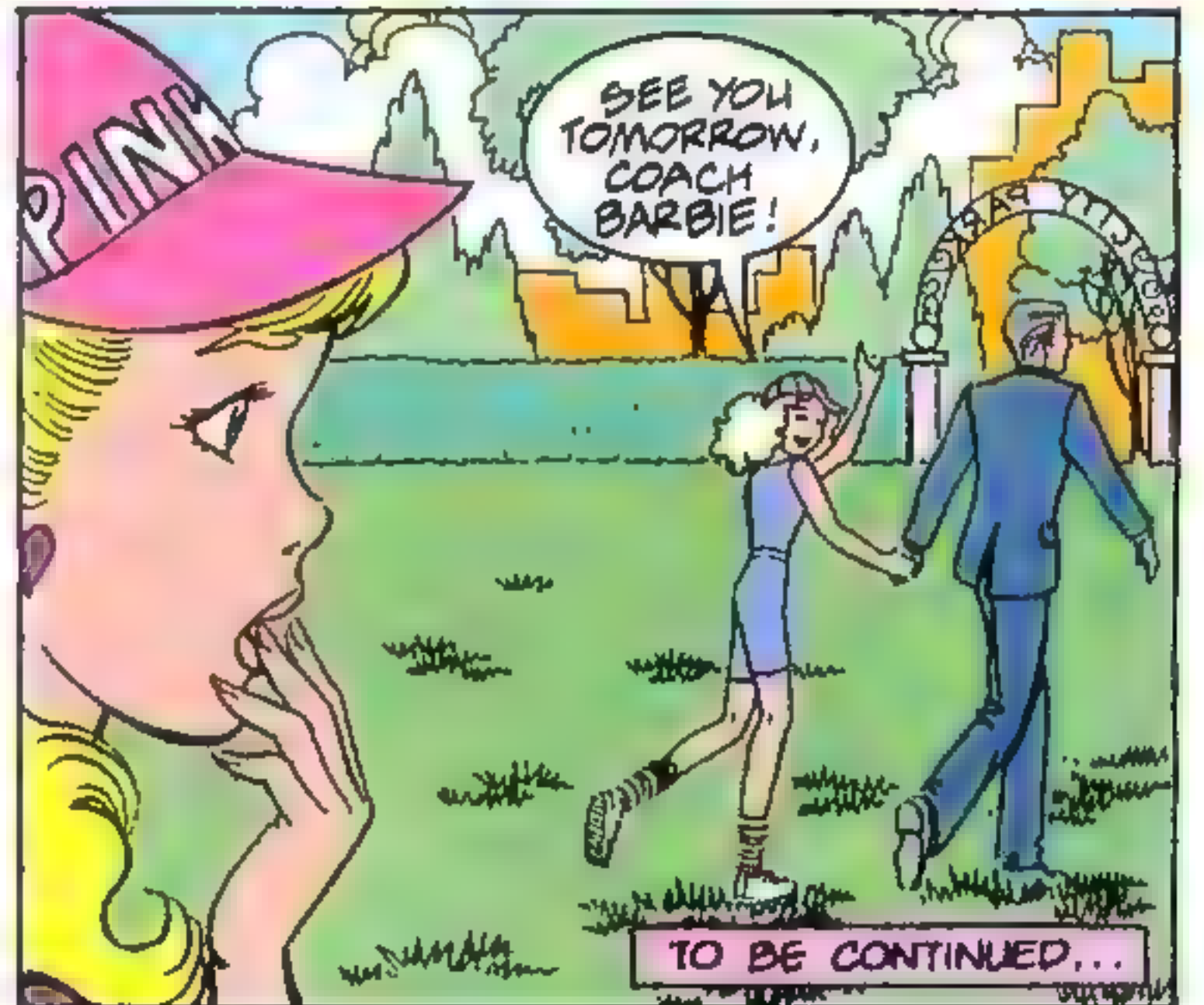


HELLO, MAYOR NICHOLS. I'M BARBIE, DEBBIE'S COACH.

HELLO, BARBIE!

PRACTICE IS ALMOST OVER...







Barbie

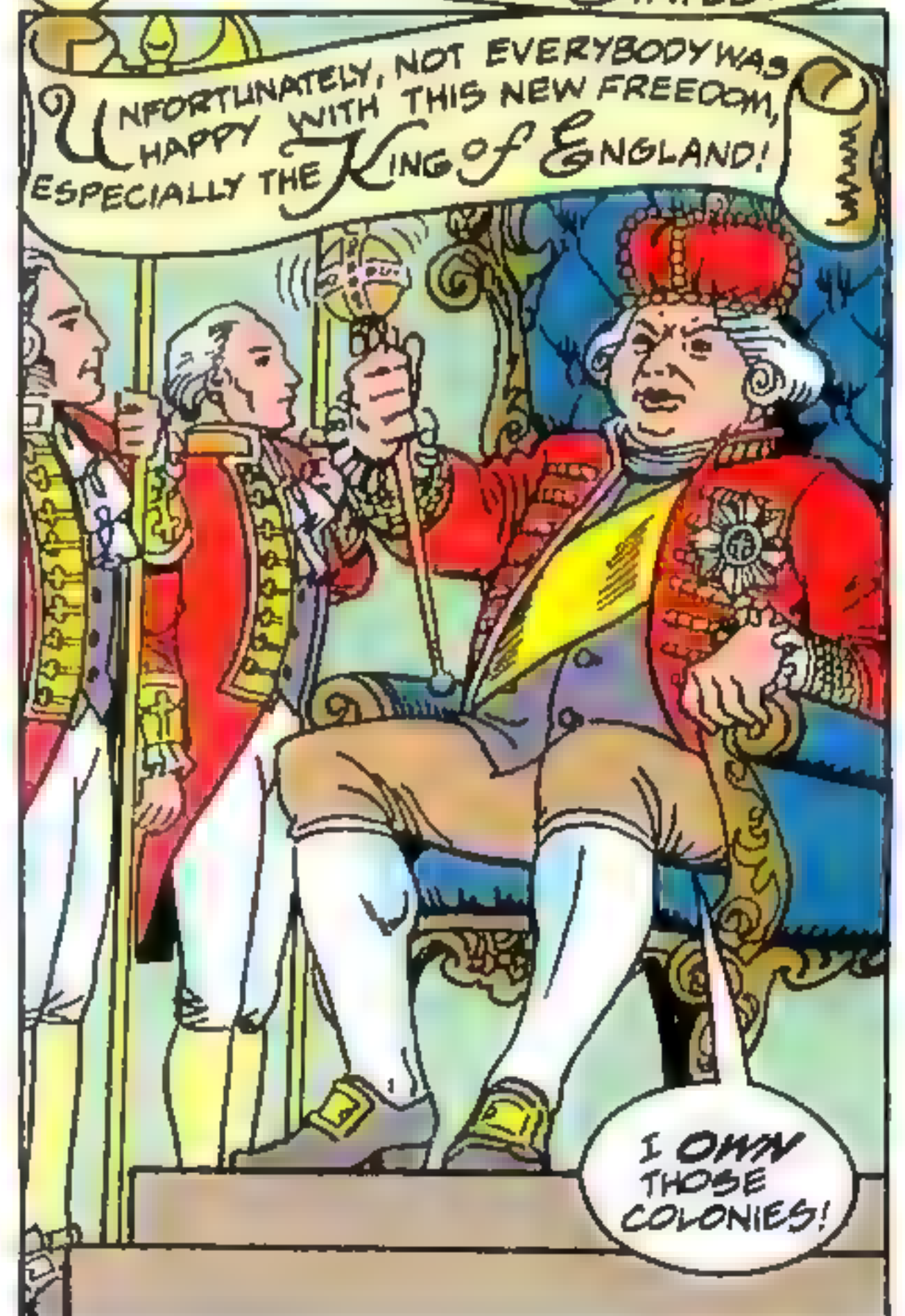
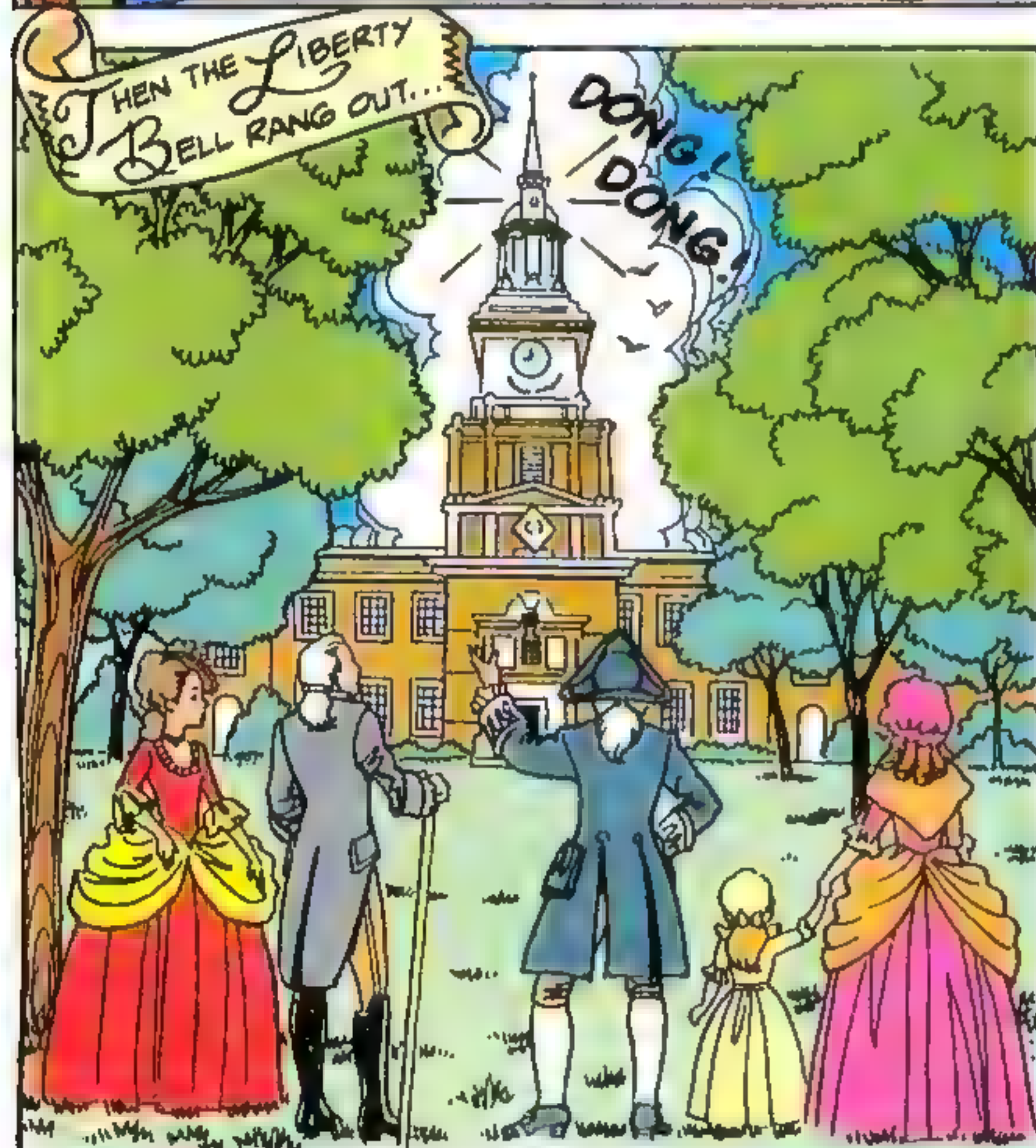
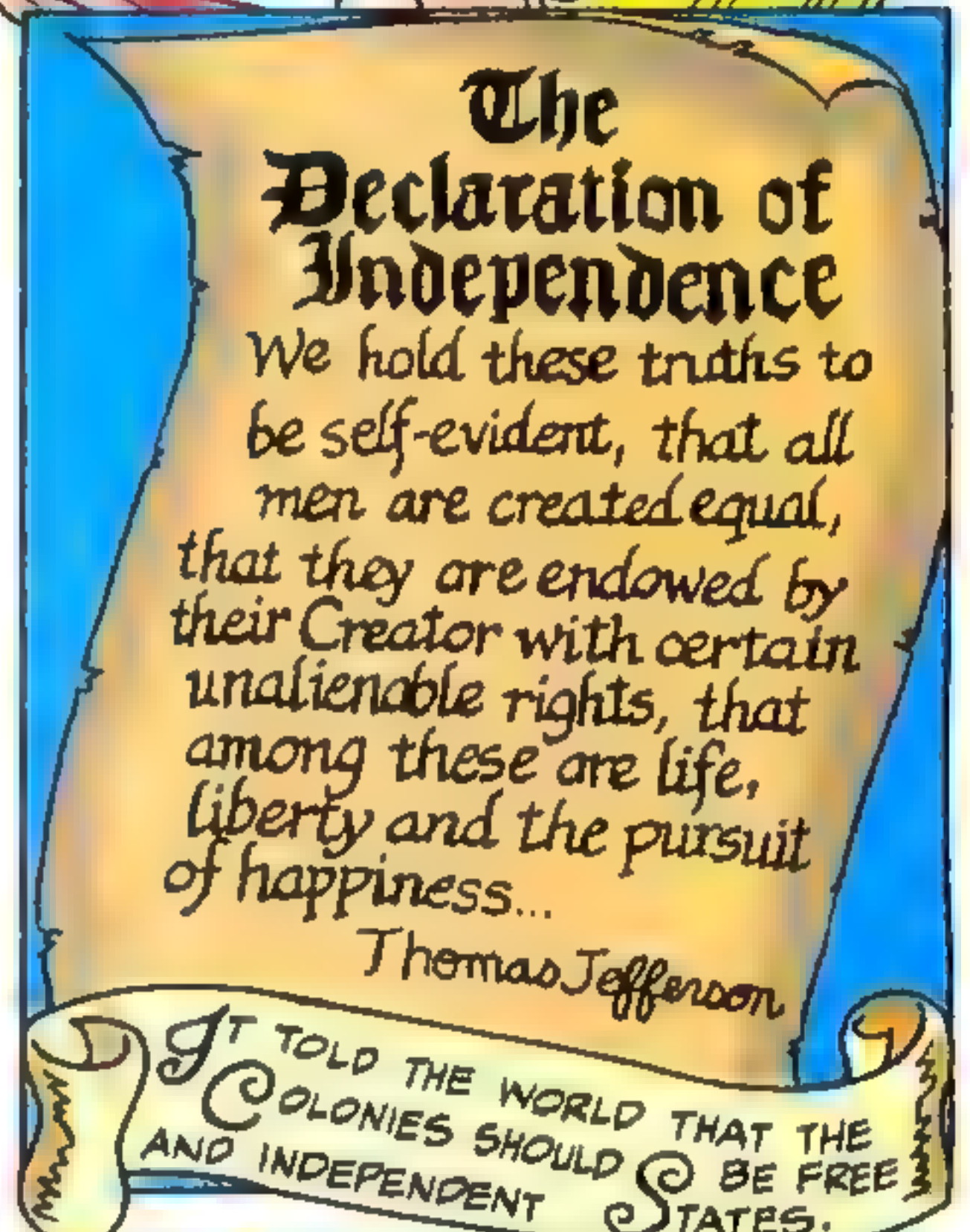
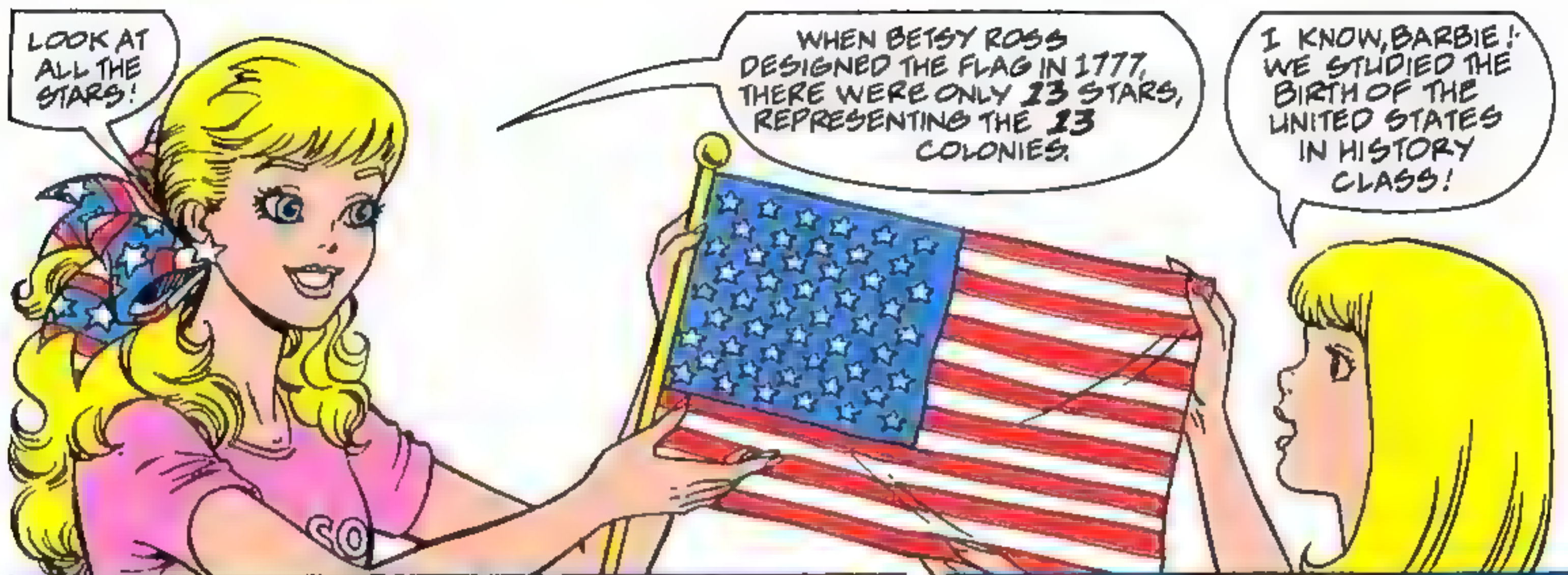


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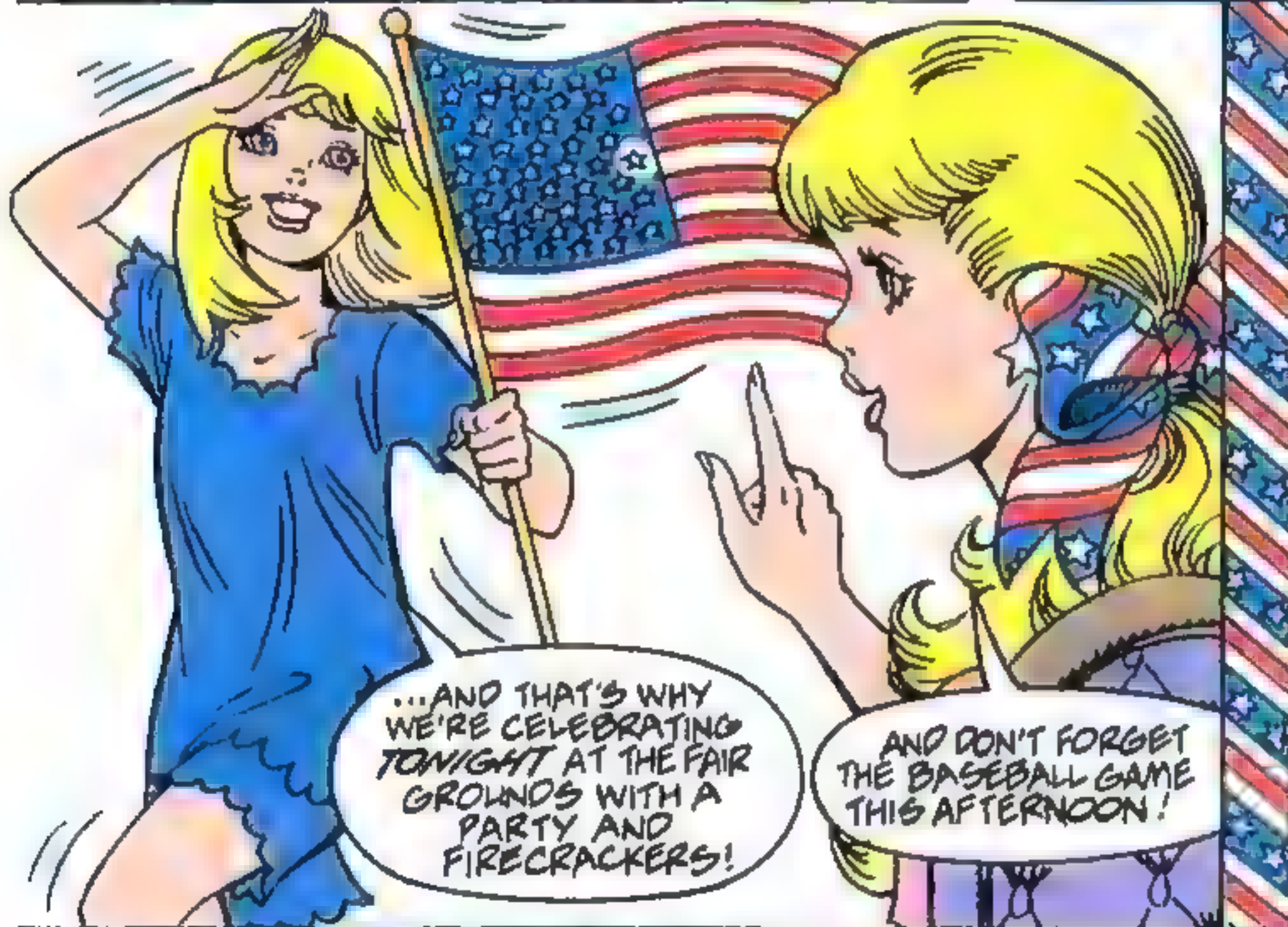




OUR SOLDIERS FOUGHT LONG AND HARD FOR THEIR FREEDOM...

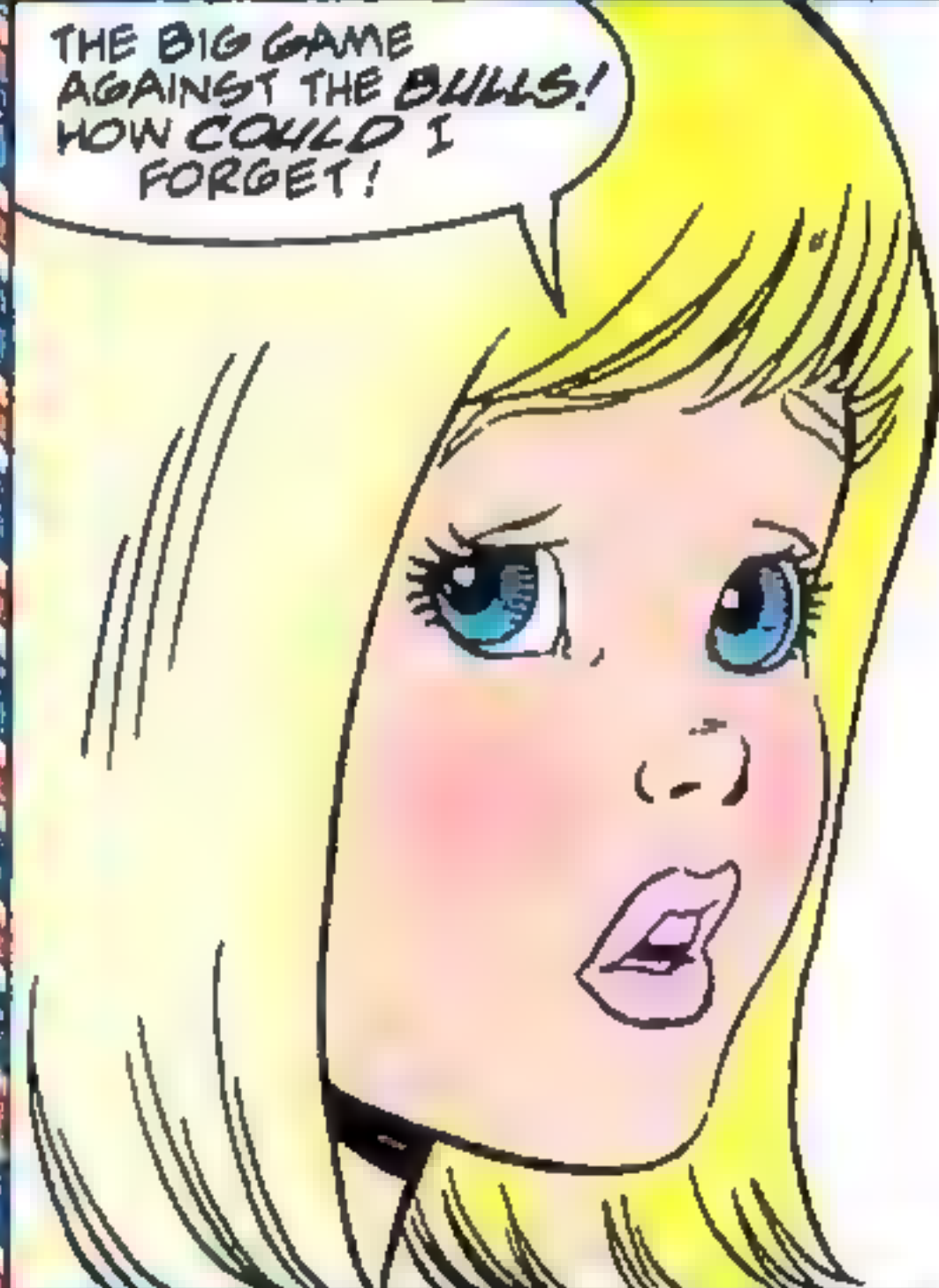


AND AFTER MANY YEARS, THE UNITED STATES WAS FREE!



...AND THAT'S WHY WE'RE CELEBRATING TONIGHT AT THE FAIR GROUNDS WITH A PARTY AND FIRECRACKERS!

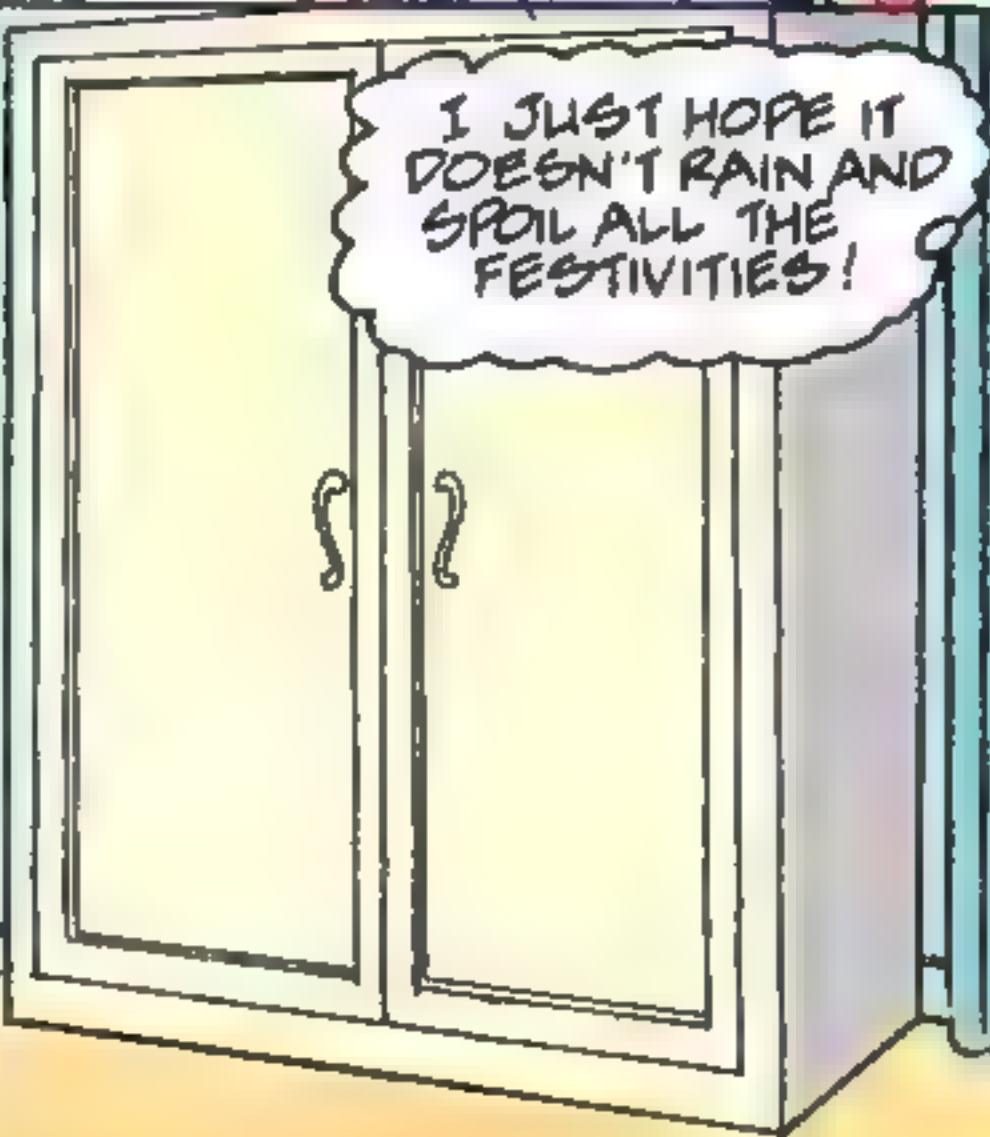
AND DON'T FORGET THE BASEBALL GAME THIS AFTERNOON!



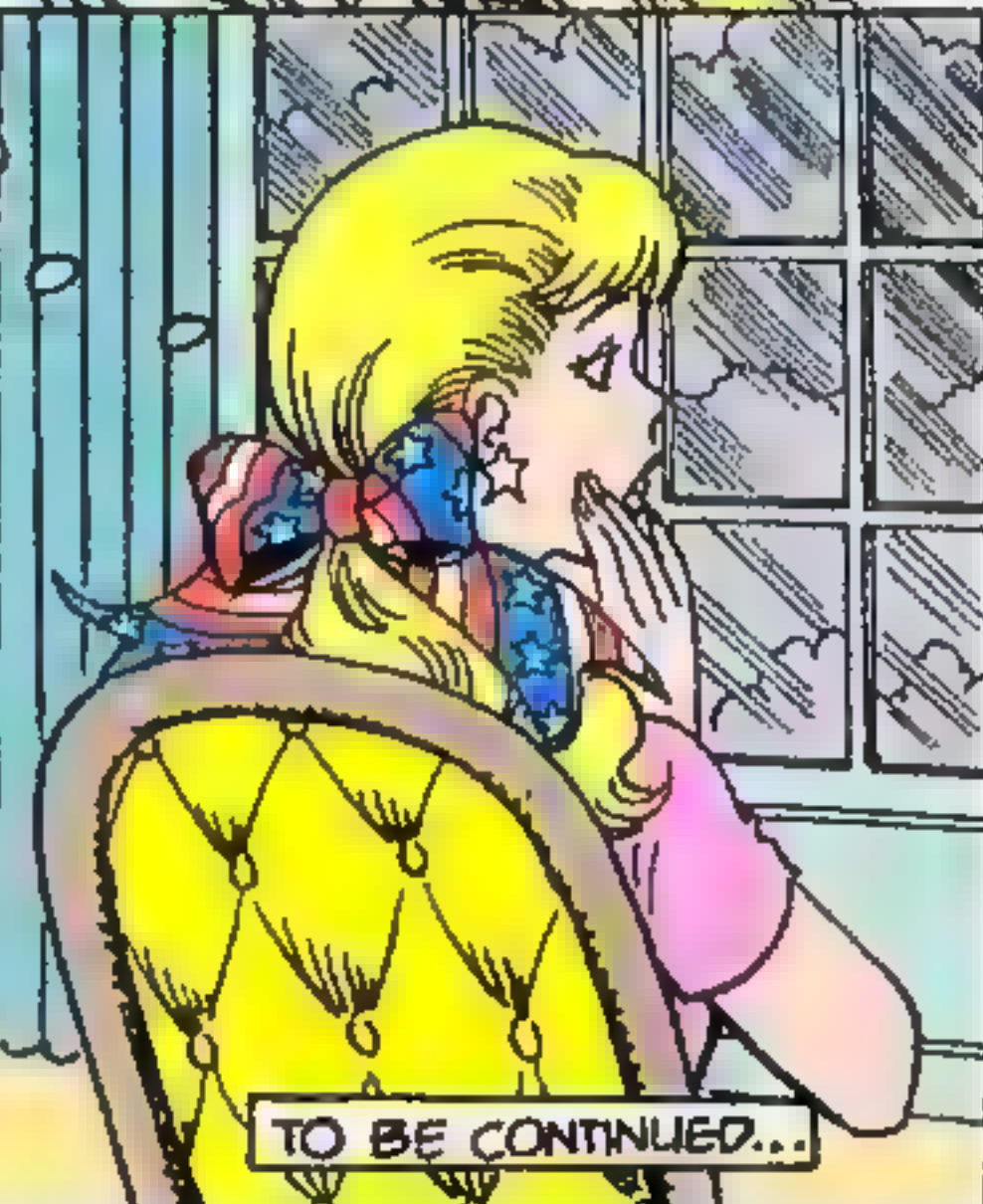
THE BIG GAME AGAINST THE BULLS! HOW COULD I FORGET!



I BETTER PUT ON MY PINK SOX UNIFORM!



I JUST HOPE IT DOESN'T RAIN AND SPOIL ALL THE FESTIVITIES!

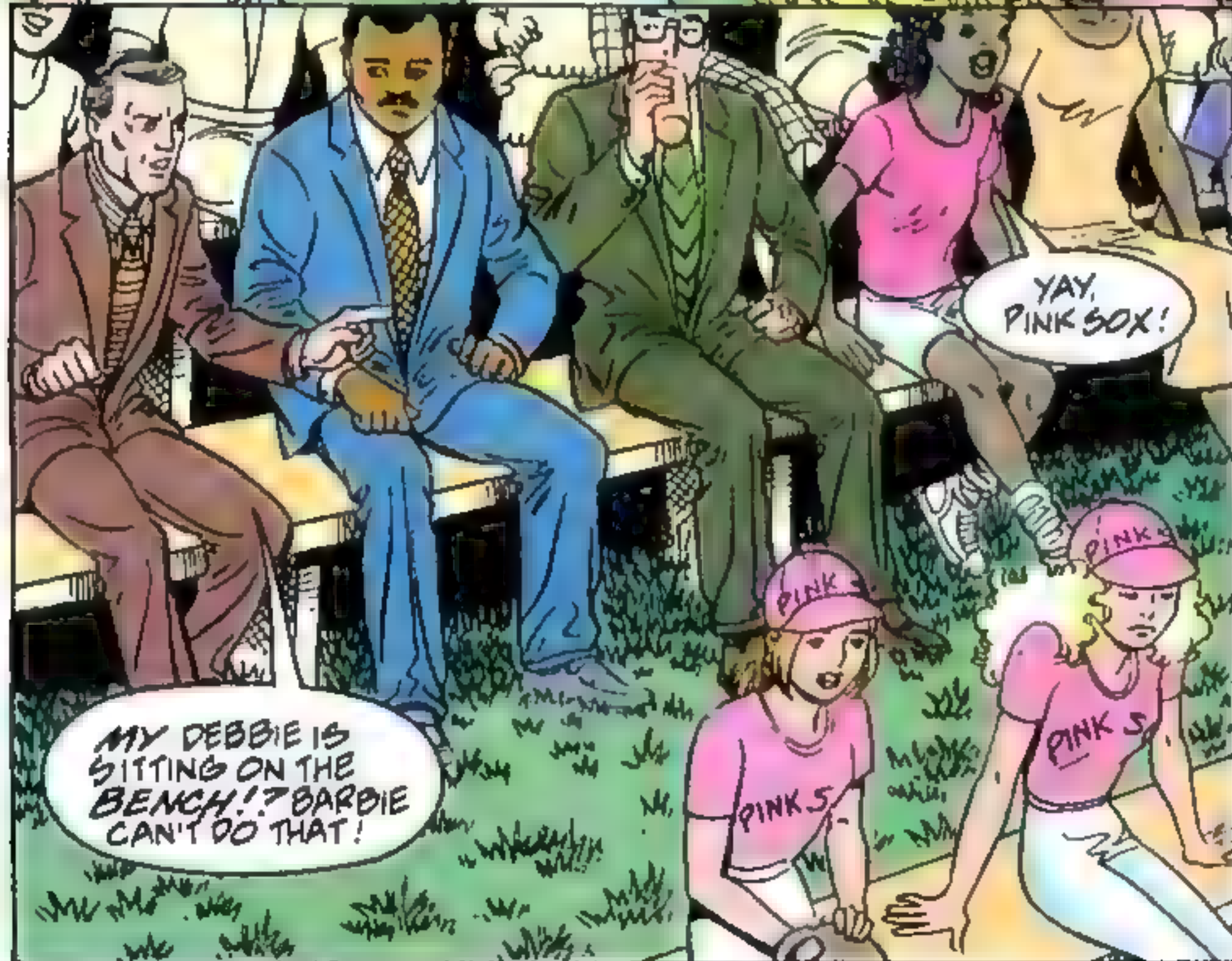


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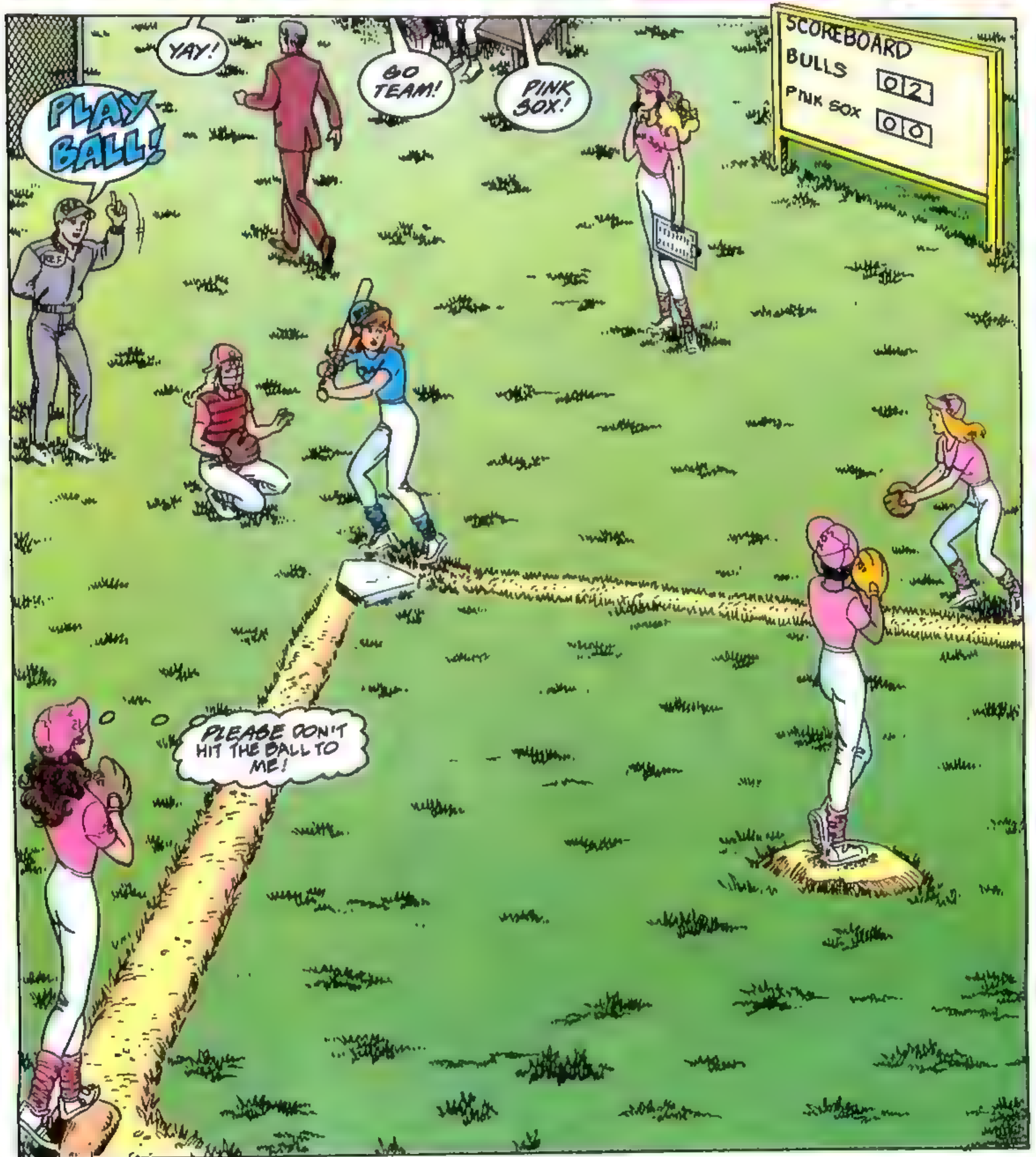
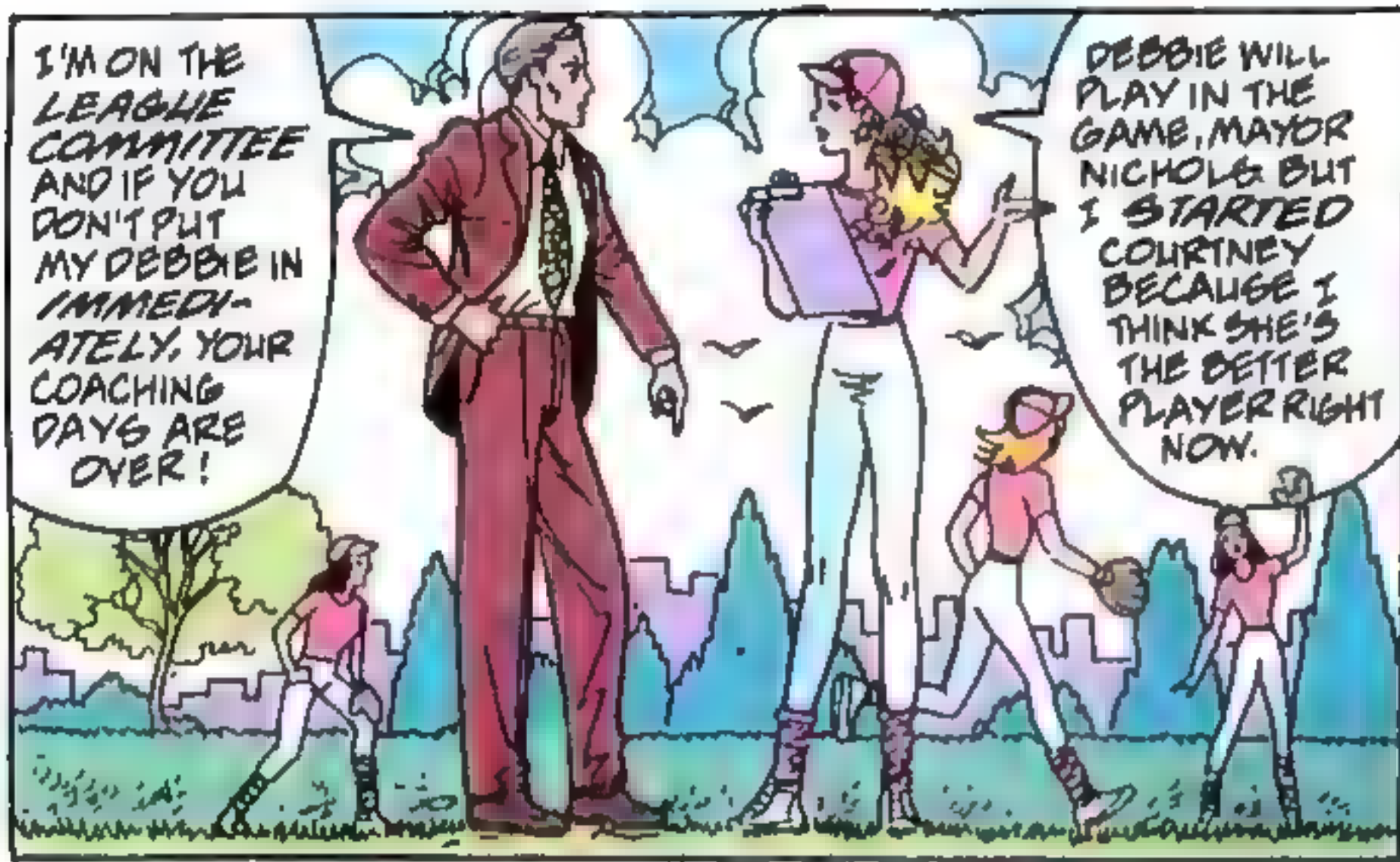




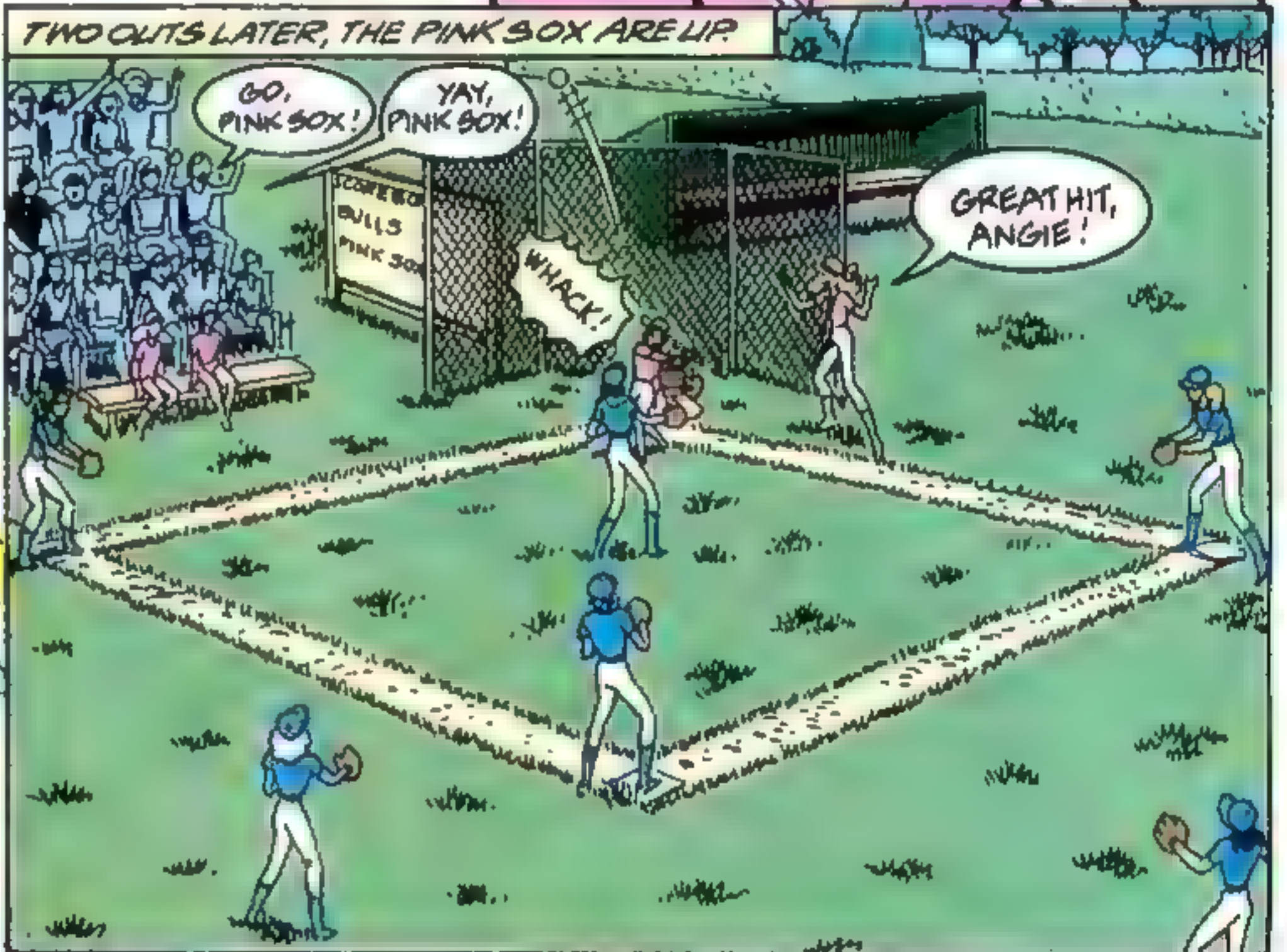
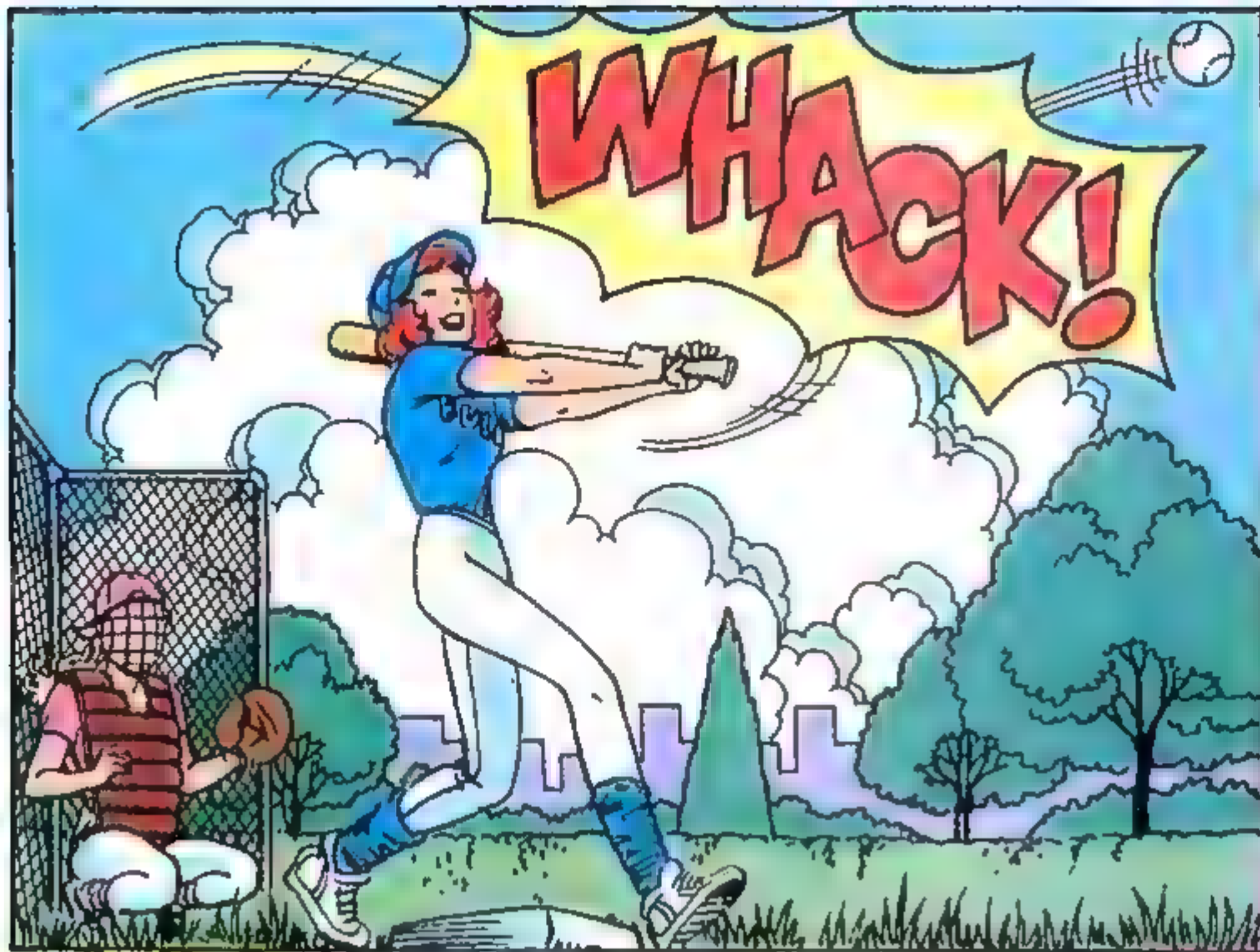




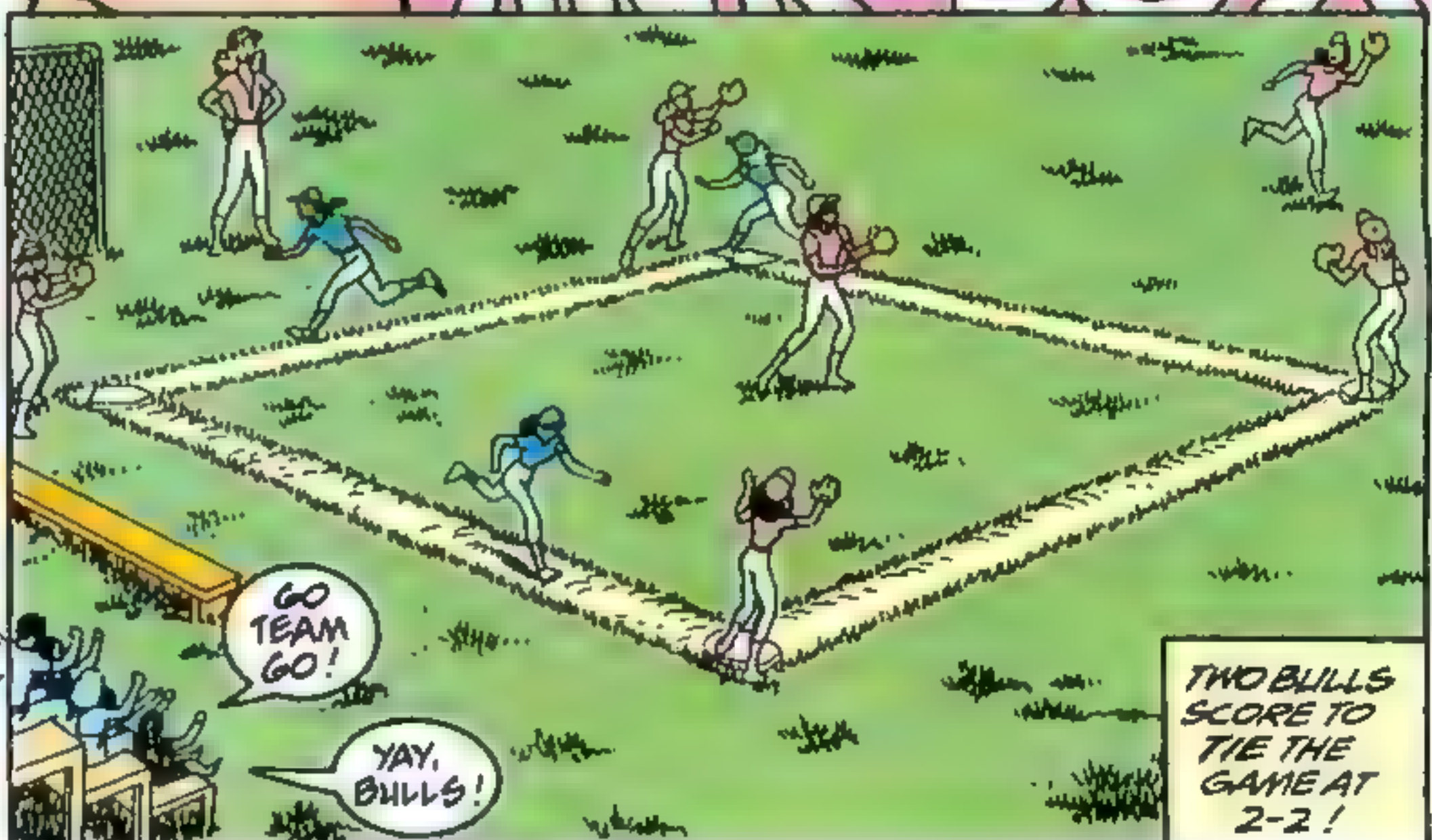
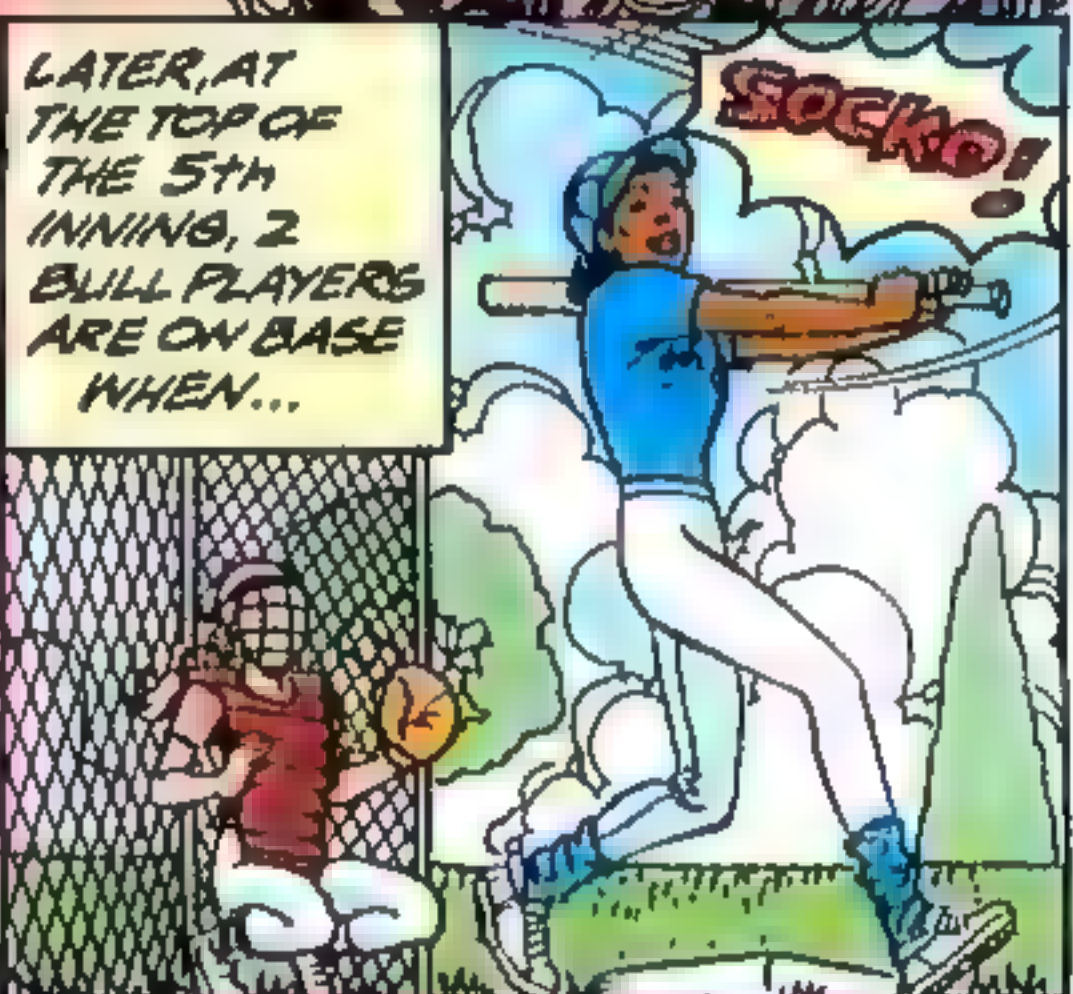
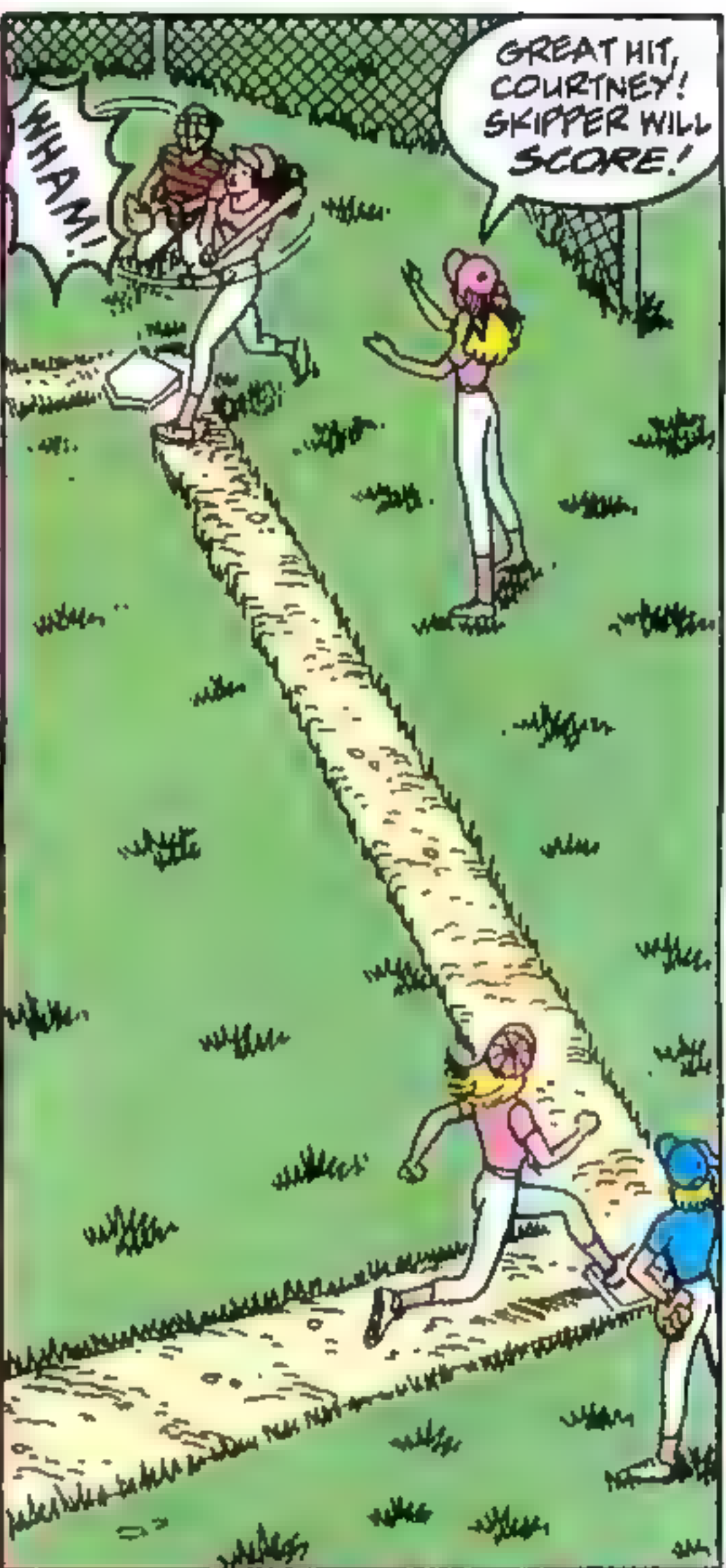














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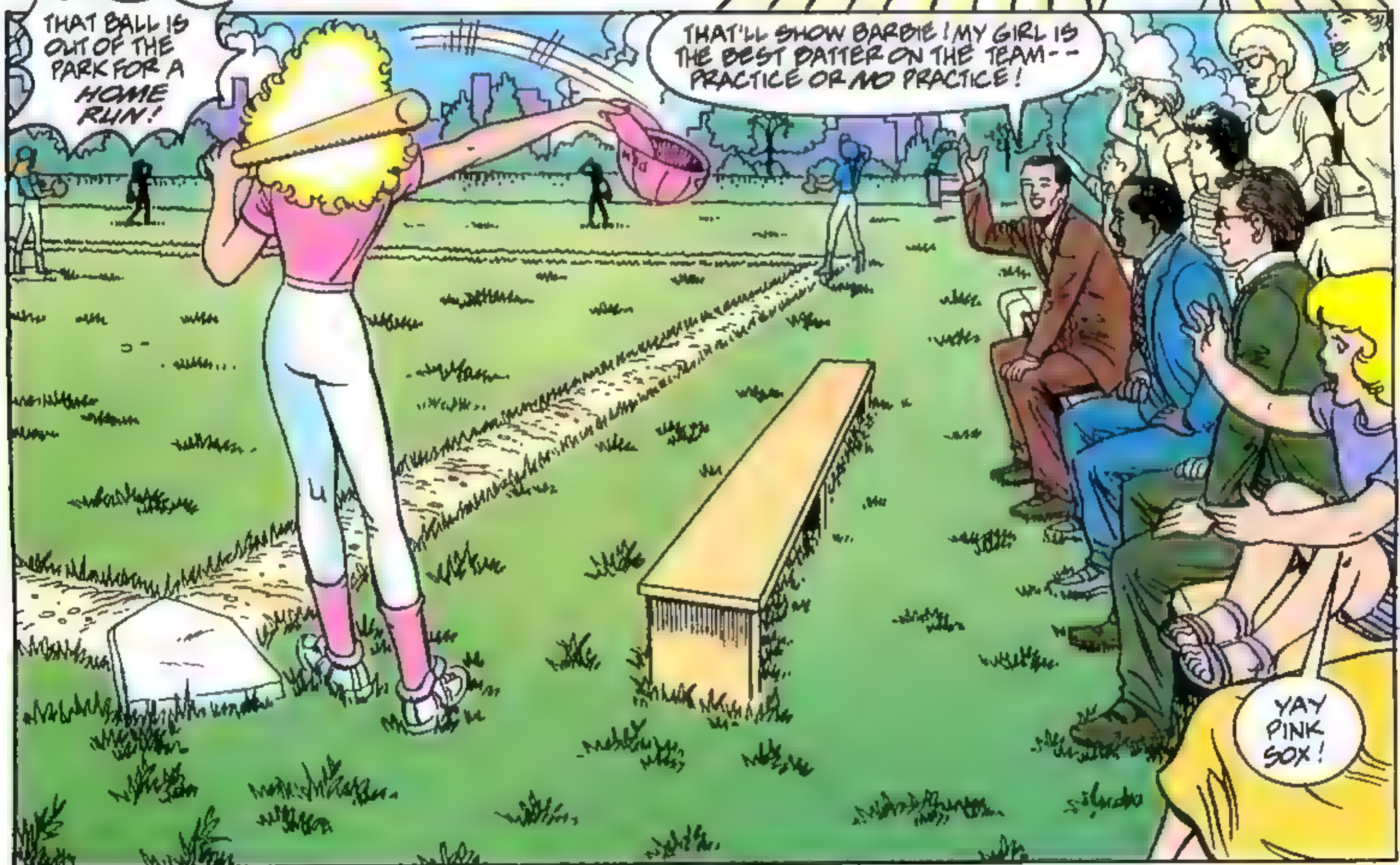
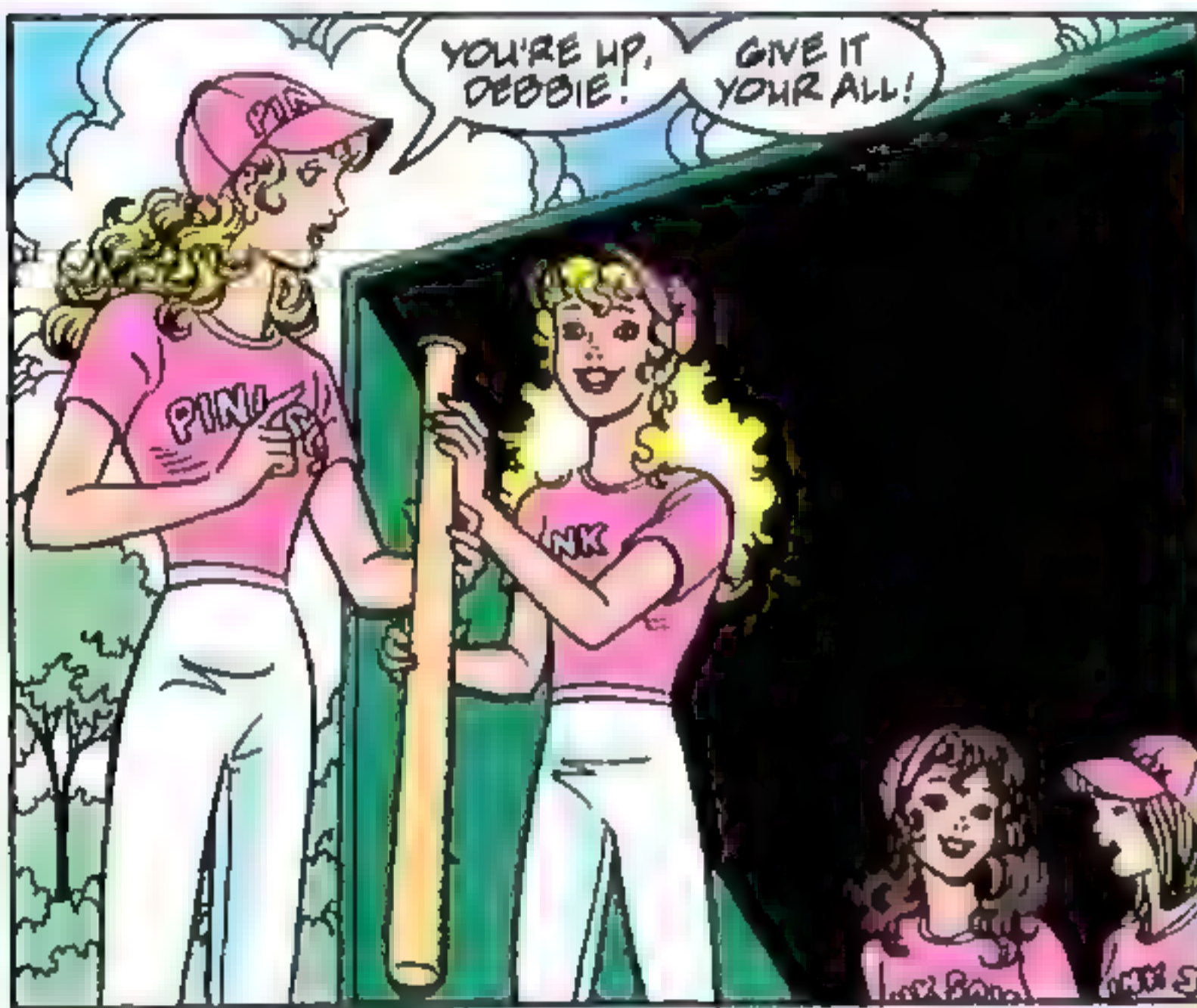
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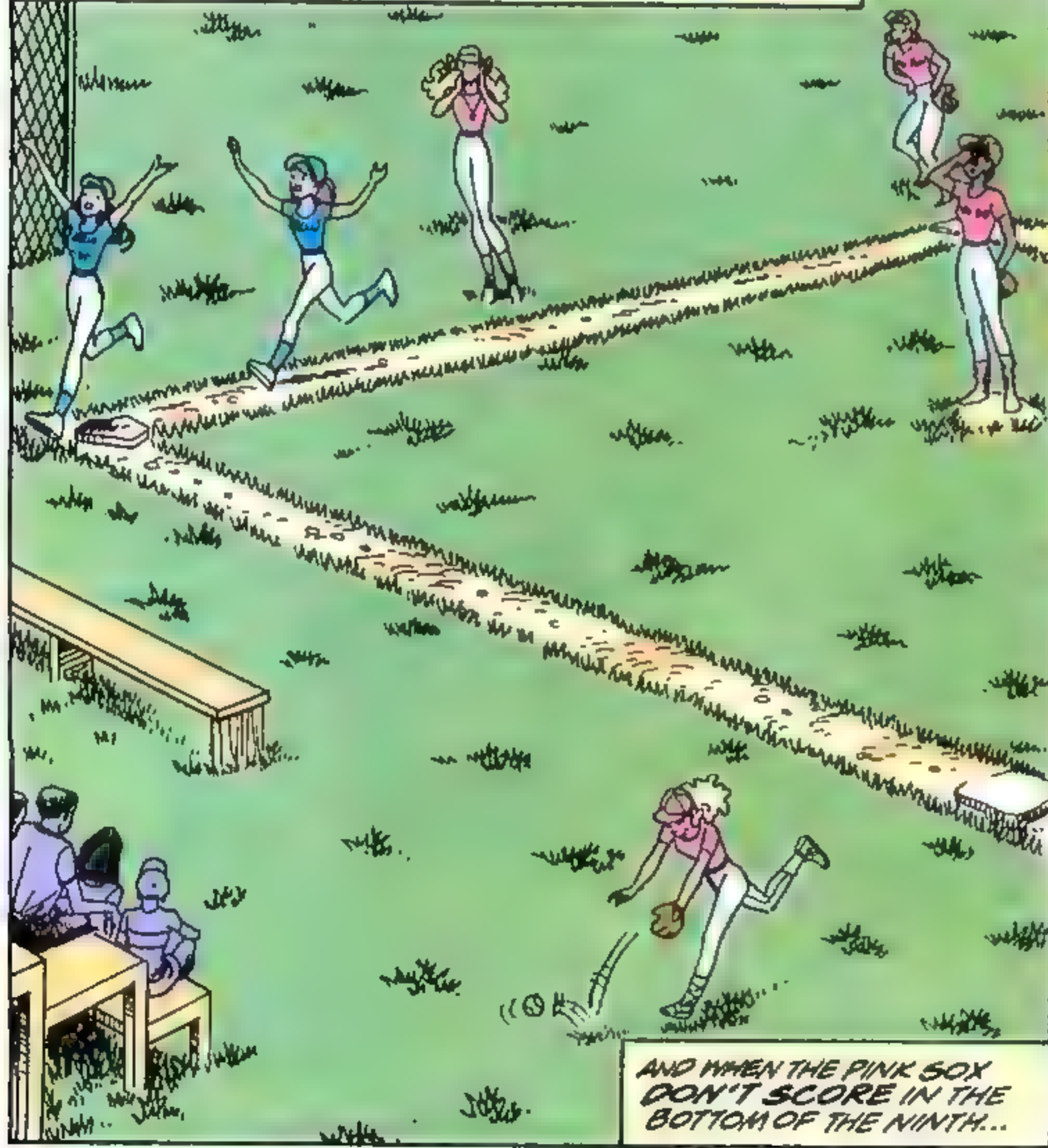




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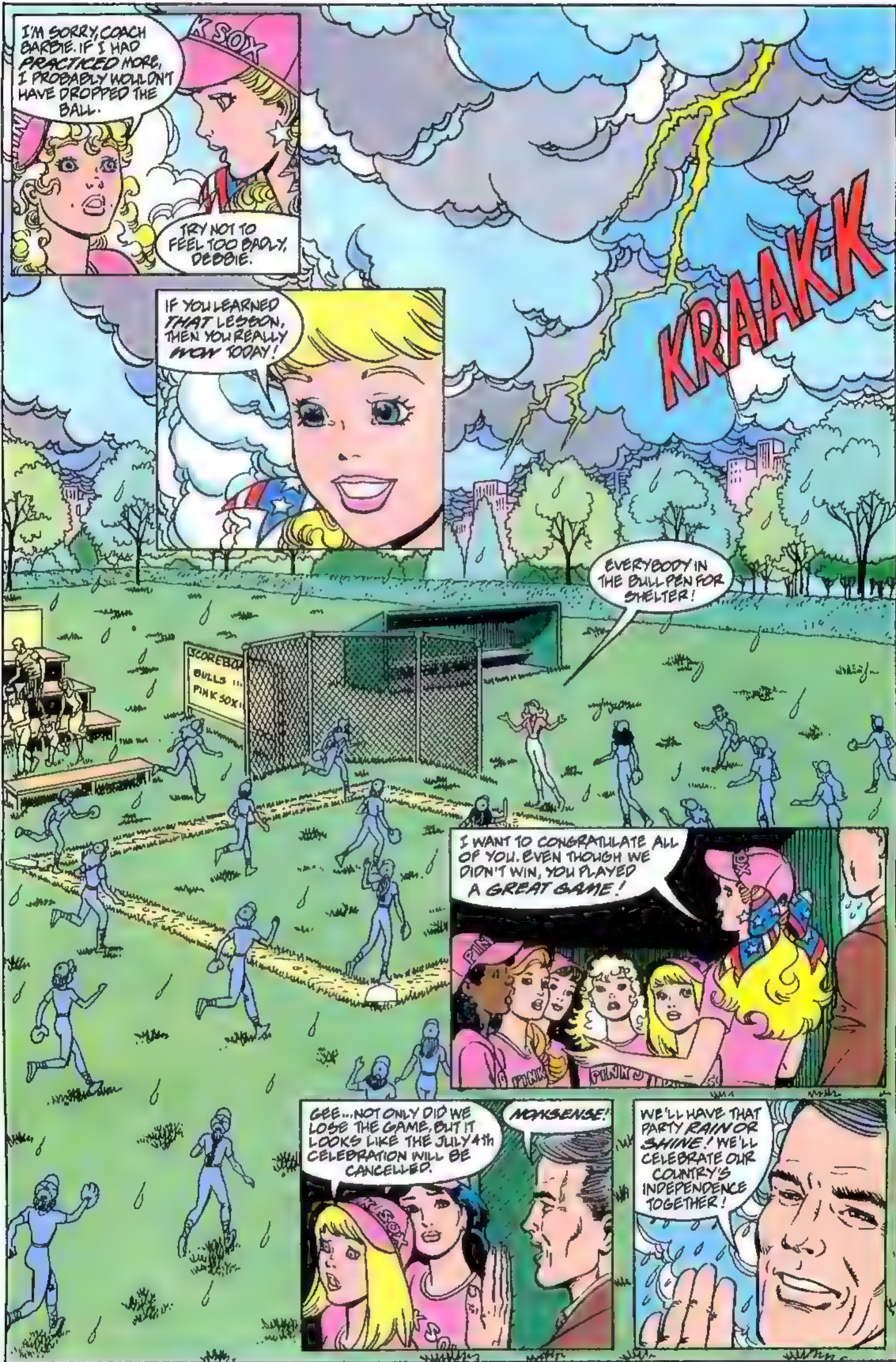
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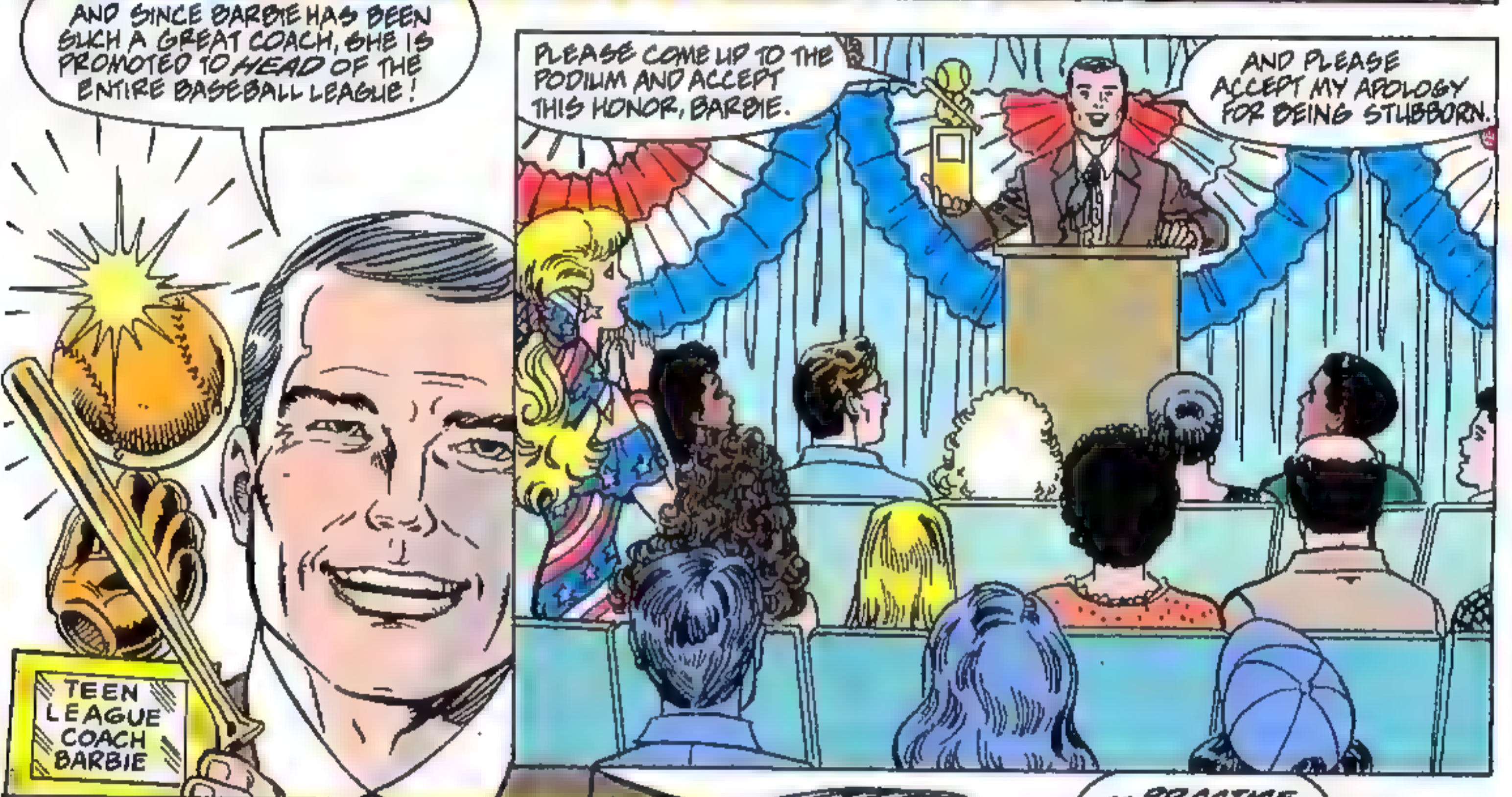
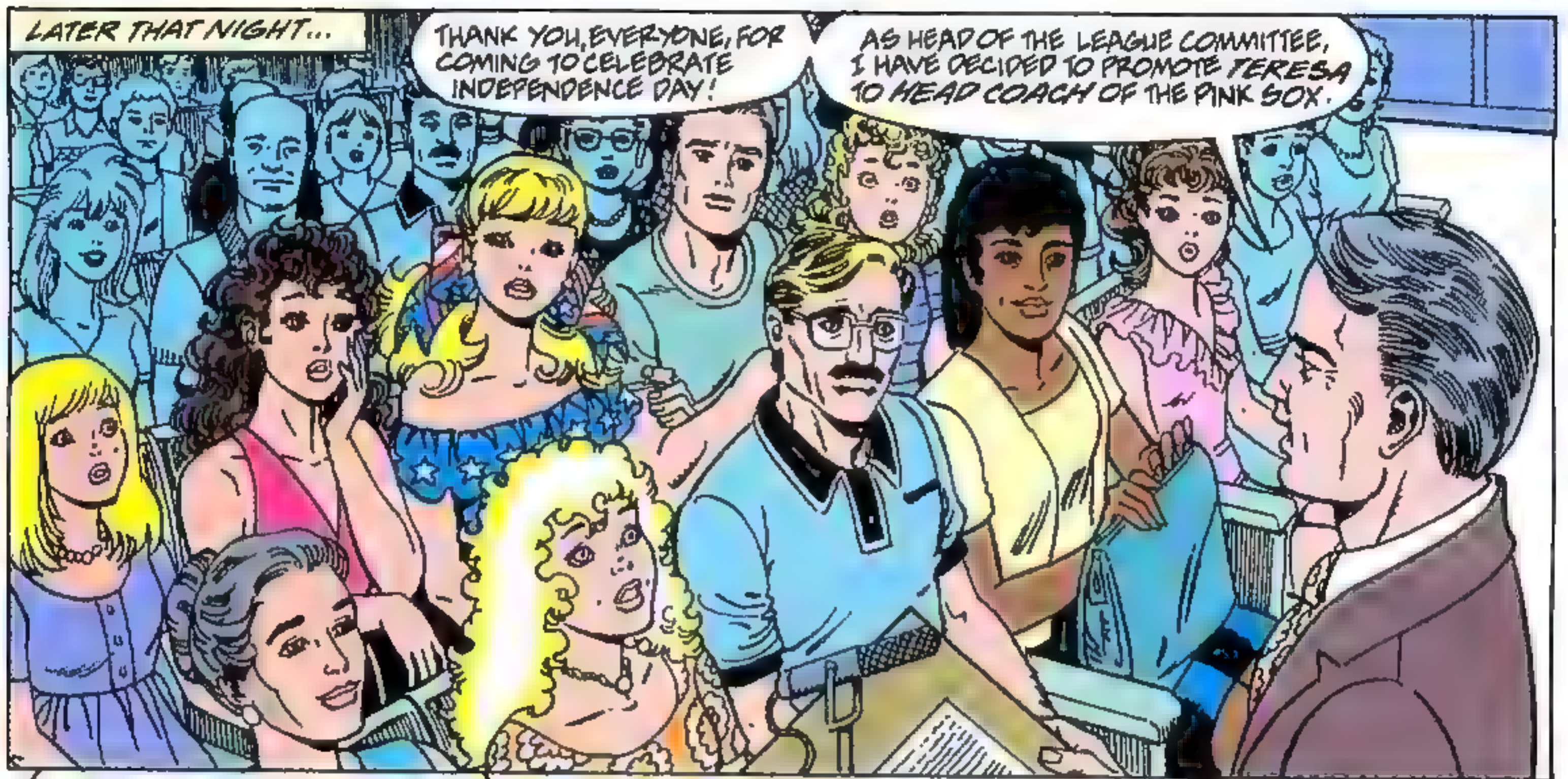


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THANK YOU,  
KEN!

YAY,  
BARBIE!



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# LETTERS TO



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**Hey, kids — Since we print your name, age, city and state, please include them on your letters.**

Dear BARBIE,

Hi! I'm Sondra Joy Bakke. I'm 8 years old. I read one of your BARBIE books, and it was very good. Your books are a lot of fun. I like reading your books and I like playing with Barbie dolls.

I love writing to people. I hope you have fun reading this letter!

Sondra Joy Bakke, age 8  
St. Louis, MO

We do enjoy reading *all* the letters we receive, Sondra! It's fun to hear from our readers and Barbie fans! We wish we had even more room here on this page every month — but we only have room for a few of the hundreds of lovely letters that arrive each month!

We hope you enjoy reading the letters we do have room for, Sondra!

Dear BARBIE,

I will get right to the point in this letter. When I read BARBIE comics, I think they are 50% good. The reason I say only 50% good is because there are a lot of problems in the world and you don't even mention them. It seems like Barbie's and all of her friends' lives are so perfect, and I do not think that is fair. I know that modeling is a very high paying job; it just seems that Barbie and Skipper get everything they've ever wanted. I think young people today just might grow up thinking that they will get everything they've ever wanted when they get a job. Here's an example:

One day I was reading a BARBIE comic to my younger cousin, who can't quite read yet but loves Barbies and anything to do with them. After I finished reading the comic to her, she said she wanted to grow up and get a bigger house than Barbie's, make more money than Barbie, and go shopping every day for a new outfit. (She's a very smart and bright kid.) She was determined to be better than Barbie.

I tried to explain to my cousin that Barbie is a fictional character, only real in our minds and imaginations, but she kept saying Barbie is real.

Kids are growing up thinking that their lives will be so perfect, like Barbie, Ken, Midge, Teresa, etc. You've made a big mistake. Life won't be that perfect. What about all the dangers? Drugs, alcohol, AIDS, sex, etc. Kids are growing up completely unprepared for the dangers in the world.

I suggest that in your next comic you should have a story with real problems in them.

Krysta Bedient, age 10  
Saskatoon, Saskatchewan  
Canada

Well, Krysta, you have written a very thoughtful letter, and you make a good point. We think Barbie should face some real world problems, too. That's why she recently worked with Skipper to combat homelessness. Watch for other stories in the future where Barbie's world isn't such a perfect place.

However, this is a comic book, and it is meant to entertain our readers. There are so many sources for true stories about the dangers of the real world (news, movies, magazines, television shows, radio, etc.), that we want people to enjoy reading our comics. There's nothing wrong with enjoying a happy story!

You have learned about the dangers that you may face. Your cousin, however, is still young enough to believe in things that aren't real. Do you remember a time when you believed Barbie was real? Most of us can — part of being very young is imagining that all sorts of impossible things are actually possible. As we get older, we learn what is real, what isn't, and we learn much more about the world.

As your cousin gets a little older, she'll learn to read and she'll learn that Barbie is a doll, and that BARBIE comics are full of nice stories. In the meantime, she'll be the young child she is, and you can keep sharing and enjoying BARBIE comics with her!

Dear BARBIE,

I like reading BARBIE comics. My name is Jennifer Michelle Sparkman. My parents call me Jenny and Michelle. My classmates call me Michelle. But you can call me anything you want.

I read my brother's comics. They are about the X-Men and Spider-Man. I am a Barbie collector, but all I've collected are dolls and doll clothes. Now I am starting a BARBIE comics collection.

Jennifer Michelle Sparkman  
Thomasville, GA

Now you can enjoy both your brother's comics and your own BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics, Michelle! (We decided to use the name your classmates use!)

As a collector, one way to make sure you never miss an issue of BARBIE or BARBIE FASHION is to subscribe. There is a form in this very issue! You'll receive your comics

through the mail, right at home every month. Be sure to check with a parent or adult first!

Dear BARBIE,

I have many BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics! I really love them.

I love rollerskating. Do you play soccer? I do and I love my team! Can you make a story about soccer in a future issue, please?

Holly Marie Wenzel, age 10  
Aurora, IL

As a big soccer player and fan, Holly, you are probably very excited that the World Cup is in the United States for the first time this summer!

The World Cup is a soccer competition between the best teams from all over the world, and it is watched by millions of people every year!

We know you'll be watching, Holly!



## BARBIE'S BIRTHDAY CORNER!

While we'll all be celebrating America's birthday this month on July 4th, many BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers will be celebrating their own birthdays, too! The birthdays are:

- 7/2, Kristin Riux, 11, Dumfries, VA
- 7/4, Kelly Hayes, 9, Quinnesec, MI
- 7/5, Micaela Krystal Nicole Briscoe, 10, Fayetteville, NC
- 7/5 Brienne Dirks, 11, Chatsworth, PA
- 7/6, Jennifer J. Merkle, 9, Lakeland, FL
- 7/7, Maria McManigal, Panama City, FL
- 7/11, Debbi Bills, Idaho Falls, ID
- 7/16, Victoria Anne Cunningham, 10, Bowie, MD
- 7/18, Tanya Harris, 13, Belle Rose, LA
- 7/19, Tiffany Hale, 11, Johnstown, NY
- 7/27, Melanina Drizuela, 10, N. Highlands, CA
- 7/27, Jennifer Robertson, Bolivar, MO
- 7/29, Greg Oldroyd, Riverton, UT
- 7/30, Becky Jacobi, Marshall, MO
- 7/31, Dianne Hidden, 10, Sacramento, CA

And a very special birthday wish on July 12 to Barbie's favorite suit, Rob Losey.

A very happy birthday to these and all the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers celebrating this month! If you'd like your birthday to appear here, please send us your name, age, full address and birthday to the address above. Be sure to send it at least six months ahead of time!





# Barbie™ IN THREE CHEERS FOR THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE!



Jessica Caudle, age 9  
Asheboro, NC

Victoria Smowdon, age 11  
Kalamazoo, MI

Candice Batdorf, age 10  
Gloucester, VA

As America celebrates another birthday and the summer sun starts to sizzle, Barbie is staying cool in simply stunning fashions designed by you - the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers! Although we only have room to print a few fashions each month, we love them all, and hope you enjoy these!

If you have a fashion for Barbie or any of her friends, be sure to send it to us here at BARBIE, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016. Please be sure to include your name, age and full address!





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